**Marching Band Uniform Care Instructions**

Your uniform costs **$450**! Please treat it that way!

Always place your uniform on the wooden hanger when not in use. Do not crumple it at the bottom of your uniform bag.

**How to hang your uniform**

* Pants are to be turned upside down, 4 pleats matched together so that the permanent pleat is preserved and hung over the wooden hanger.
* Jackets are to be placed over the pants on the wooden hanger with shoulder pads placed on the hanger properly as if it was on your body.
* Do not remove any barcode tags or labels from your uniforms.

**What to do after each performance**

* Upon returning to the bus, uniform jackets are to be hung up immediately so it does not get mixed up with other students’ uniforms.
* Please do not store shoes in the garment bag. They can be placed in a plastic bag or drawstring bag and the bag attached to your uniform bag.
* When you get home, remove all uniform items from the garment bag to air them out. Otherwise, your uniform gets stinky.

**Washing instructions (when soiled or stinky)**

* **VERY IMPORTANT! Remove the tail from the jacket before laundering!**
* **Wash jacket and pants in cold water, gentle cycle and hang to dry. No fabric softener.**
* To preserve permanent pleats, pants should be hung with seams matched but straight down instead of over hangers.
* After washing, be sure to reattach the tail to the jacket.
* Need ironing? The hems can be ironed but it needs to be done carefully by putting a towel over the garment then ironing through the towel.
* If you get stains, Shout Advanced Gel and Carbona Stain Devil work great.

Thanks for your cooperation! Please do not hesitate to call/text/email with any questions!

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