

Jamestown Guard Notes

Remember, practices are mandatory! Express and Expressions will practice on weeknights at Persell (enter through the back door). Caboose will practice at Washington. Expressions weekend practice will be at Washington. **Wear** comfortable clothing (no jeans) and bring a water bottle!

Schedules for the week 11/13-11/18

Express	Tuesday Thursday	6:00-9:00 Parent Meeting at 6pm *\$100 due*
	Thursday	6:00-9:00
	Saturday	9:00am-1:00pm **bring snack
Expressions	Monday	6:30-9:00
	Tuesday	6pm Parent Meeting
	Wednesday	6:00-8:30 *\$50 due*
	Saturday	12:00noon-4:00pm AT WASH
Caboose	Monday	6:30-8:30
	Tuesday	6pm Parent Meeting
	Thursday	6:30-8:30 *\$50 due*
	Saturday	9:00am-12:00noon

Parent/Student Meeting 11/14 6:00PM

There is a MANDATORY Parent/Student meeting on Tuesday, November 14th in the Persell Auditorium at 6:00pm. This meeting should last about an hour. **Each member must be present with a parent/guardian or a responsible adult who can relay information to you.** Express members will attend the meeting with an adult and then go to practice after until 9:00. Please make arrangements to attend as all important information will be given on this night. We will go through our handbook, schedules, payment schedules, fundraisers, expectations, online websites, etc. at this meeting.

Remind/Charms/FamilyID

These will be discussed at the Parent Meeting. Everything must be completed by Monday, November 20th. Remember, this is where we will get all of your information incase we need to contact you in the case of an emergency!

Payments

The payment schedule is in the Handbook as well as the schedules. The first payments are due this week (this will be discussed at the Parent Meeting).

Express \$100 due Expressions \$50 due Caboose \$50 due

All checks must be made out to Jamestown Band and Chorus Association.

Please contact us if you need to make an alternate payment schedule. I will ALWAYS work with you to make this happen for your child. I know this is a quick payment, but we have already started ordering things and we need to pay for them.

Candy Bars (first fundraiser)

Our first fundraiser is starting this week and will be discussed at the Parent Meeting. We will be selling Candy Bars in order to pay for your guard jacket. There are 60 candy bars in a box and they are sold for \$1 each. Each guard member will be responsible for selling 2 boxes. If you would like to opt out, the opt out fee is \$24 a box.

Facebook Groups

Each group has a Facebook page so we can post videos of dance, equipment work, and run throughs. I only accept people from this group (members or their parents) so it is a closed group that no one else can see. If you have Facebook, please request to join! Once I know who you are I will accept i!

Express: Express Winter Guard Expressions: Expression Winter Guard Caboose: Caboose Winter Guard

Attendance

Attendance is critical to the success of this program, each group, and each child. Please make sure that you are at every practice. When you aren't there, it is impossible to move forward as a guard. However, if you do have to be absent or are going to be late, you MUST communicate with your director by phone call. If absences start to add up, you may be asked to sit out of shows, to become an alternate, or to leave the program. If you are in Caboose-call Bre Merwick, if you are in Expressions-call Emily Whitney, if you are in Express-call Mrs. Marsh.

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