

INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE CARE OF RIVERTON HIGH SCHOOL MARCHING BAND UNIFORMS

The Riverton High School Marching Band Uniform should be worn and cared for with pride. Each uniform issued was clean and in new condition. It is expected that when it is once again returned it will be clean and in like-new condition. The cost of the uniform is as follows: shako \$35, plume \$18, shako box \$8, jacket \$150, pants \$60, gloves \$3, uniform bag \$20, for a total of \$294.00. These uniforms are expensive; please take good care of them.

GENERAL RULES

The uniform is ALWAYS to be hung up and in the uniform bag when not being worn. Do not eat anything while in uniform and drink only water. The uniform is NOT, UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES, to be taken home for cleaning by individual students. Any alterations that you make must be temporary and able to be reversed. If you shorten the pants do not cut off the excess.

SHAKO

The shako should be in its box when it is stored. The sun will warp the shako, so do not leave it in the car or in other hot places. Any shako that must be replaced because of neglect on your part will be done at your expense. Do not touch the plume with your bare hand; the oil in your hands causes it to deteriorate.

JACKET

Length of the tunic sleeve is to be to the middle of the hand. The tunic should always be hung when not worn and should be stored in the uniform bag.

PANTS

The pant length should be to the top of the back of the shoe. They are to be hung up at all times; they are NEVER to be lying in a heap at the bottom of your uniform bag. Clean and press them as needed, do not bring them wrinkled to a performance.

VESTS

The vest will be hung on the hanger, above the pants, and beneath the jacket

SOCKS

Always wear clean black socks with your uniform. **DO NOT** store worn socks in your uniform bag or shako box!

SHOES

You are responsible to buy your own shoes. The shoes are ordered by the Band Boosters. They are to be clean at all times. The shoes can be cleaned with 409 or a like cleaner. **DO NOT** store shoes in your uniform bag.

GLOVES

Your first pair of gloves will be given to you by the Band Boosters. *Replacement gloves cost \$3.00.* They must be kept clean at all times. Wash your gloves on your hands as if washing your hands with hand soap. Hang the gloves to dry, never put them in the clothes dryer, they will shrink. **DO NOT** leave wet gloves in your shako box or uniform bag.

HAIR

Any hair that hangs below the tunic collar must be pinned up.

UNIFORM BAG

By remembering these rules you will always be ready to perform and your uniform will be well cared for. At the end of each performance, hang the tunic, vest, and the pants in your bag; carefully put away your shako, gloves, shoes, and socks. Never put your uniform bag on the ground. Place your uniform bag onto the racks in your proper section *as soon as possible* once you have changed. Always keep your name card in your bag so that it can be readily identified.

At the end of the marching band season, you will be asked to return your uniform to the band room, this means: uniform bag, tunic, pants, shako and the shako box. Leave your name tag in the pocket of your uniform bag when it is returned so that you will be credited for returning it.

Be responsible. See that your uniform, shoes, and gloves are clean and ready for each performance. Take care of your uniform and uniform bag. You will be held responsible for the cost of replacement of any part of your uniform or uniform bag that is not returned in good condition at the end of the marching band season.