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2014 - 2015 BAND HANDBOOK



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BAKER BAND

A Tradition of Excellence

The purpose of this handbook is to provide a convenient reference for students, parents, administrators, and directors who have questions concerning any aspect of the band program at Baker. We have made an honest effort to include and explain every possible facet of the program.

It is our hope that as responsible students and interested parents, you will read this handbook very carefully so that you will better understand the entire program. Students, you will be responsible for knowing and abiding by all rules and regulations set forth in this book.

I welcome each of you to the Baker High School Band. This will be a great year that you will never forget. I challenge you to develop and possess a cooperative attitude in everything you do. Always put forth your best effort at all rehearsals and performances. I want band to be an experience in which you gain a working knowledge of true team effort, a taste of life and its difficulties, a generous knowledge of music and an untold number of enjoyable events you will always cherish. You will have plenty of memories this year, I guarantee! We need to continue the fine tradition and strive to be positive role models and leaders for the ongoing success of this band program. Thanks for being a part of something special . . .

The Baker High School Band!

Excellence Through Perseverance and Determination

Musically,

Mr. Dedeaux

Directors

Sidney Dedeaux

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Administration

Clem Richardson

Principal

James Connick

Asst. Principal

Scott Cooke

Asst. Principal

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Asst. Principal

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Asst. Principal

Nancy Thompson

Music Supervisor

Martha Peek

Superintendent

To these ladies and gentlemen we are forever indebted for their continued support.

2014 - 2015 Baker Band Officers

DRUM MAJOR
Brittney Daniels

ASSISTANT DRUM MAJORS
Tyler Webber
Austin White

Baker High School Band Council

Uniform Coordinators – Dakota Patrick

Uniform Coordinators - Riley Jones

Historian – Sarah Tylman

Transportation Coordinator –Keaton Meredith

Publicity Coordinator – Samantha Williams

Librarian – Cameron Sansing & Bryce Baggett

Freshman Rep-

Sophomore Rep- Jessica Markham

Junior Rep- Joeli Hall

Senior Rep- Chris Griffin

Section Leaders

Section

FLUTE

CLARINET

SAXOPHONE

TRUMPET

MELLOPHONE

TROMBONE & BAR.

TUBA

BATTERY CAPTAIN

PIT

GUARD CAPTAIN

RIFLE

FLAG

DANCE TEAM

Section Leader

Bijal Vashi & Emily Ritchie

Alexis Brinkley & Peyton Barlow

Joeli Hall & Jessie Curl

Samantha Deignan & Tyler Butler

Sheila McLeod

Ryan Dunn & Leslie Deese

Ian Bustin

Zac Coburn

Sabrina DeJong & Alyssa Canova

Courtney Caine

Temperance Evans

Caitlyn Frye

Taylor Barnickel & Lynzi White

2014 – 15 Baker Band Booster Officers

Rodney Johnson – President
Tammy Pate – Vice President
Jeannie Markham – Treasurer
Celeste Goss – Assistant Treasurer
Donna Greep – Secretary
Carrie Shelton – Parent Liaison

These parents are in charge of the Booster Organization. Feel free to contact them if you have any questions or recommendations for the Baker Band Boosters.

Our general e-mail for updates is: bakerbandboosters@gmail.com

Rodney Johnson (pres) – ph. 455-8217

Jeannie Markham (tres) – ph. 533-2104

Booster email: bakerbandfundraisers@gmail.com

For All Other Updates and Information go to: www.prideofbaker.com

Band Booster Organization

The purpose of the booster organization is to assist and promote the band and its directors. As a result, the key functions of this group become communications, chaperones, and financial support. Meeting times will be posted. This is a time for sharing ideas and organizing events for the band. All parents and supporters are welcomed and encouraged to attend these meetings.

The group provides financial support by helping to purchase equipment, special needs and help with whatever the group feels can be affordable and enhance the band program. This organization will make policy for its governing body, but is not a “policy making” organization for the band program.

The band parents wear matching shirts to events. You, as parents, are encouraged to participate in fundraising and chaperoning events.

Purpose:

Many times a misunderstanding of the rules and regulations or a lack of knowledge can cause problems on the part of the student, the parent/guardian, and/or the directors.

This handbook was written under the direction of the Directors and School Administrators for the purpose of acquainting each new and old band member with his/her obligations and responsibilities to the Baker High School Band. It was written to be a supplement to the Student Code of Conduct of Mobile County Schools, and at no time does it take precedent over or overrule school policies.

Given the complexity of human behavior, no publication of this nature can completely cover all situations, which affect the learning environment. Thus, the directors will reserve the right and responsibility to address any student behavior, which adversely affects the learning environment.

The Baker High School Band has a long-standing tradition of excellence. We perform at every varsity football game of the season, various parades, special events, and ceremonies. Superior ratings, including best in class awards have been consistently earned in marching band. The Symphonic Band has been rated superior at district and state festivals for many years. Students regularly participate in solo and ensemble, all-state band, and various honor bands. The band program has also produced numerous musicians who are now music educators and outstanding professional musicians.

Great Band Programs are built on a foundation of traditions. Traditions become a reality through student pride and involvement. It is the responsibility of every member of the Baker High School Band to honor, uphold, and build upon the traditions of the band and its various music ensembles.

Baker High School Band Student Handbook

I. Standards of Behavior

1. The use or possession of tobacco products, alcoholic beverages, or drug products will not be tolerated. Failure to comply with this rule may result in expulsion from the band and you will also be sent to the office and dealt with by the principal.
2. No Profanity
3. Proper respect for all teachers, administrators, chaperones, and other band members will be shown at all times.
4. State mandated academic standards must be maintained for participation in band activities. You must meet “Academics First” requirements set by the State Department of Education. You must pass 4 core classes per year. In addition your overall GPA for the year must be at least a 70.

A. Band room rules

1. The band room is to be treated with the highest respect. **Any abuse of it will be dealt with severely.**
2. **No food, drink, or gum is allowed in the band room at any time.**
3. Only band members are allowed in the band room.
4. Never bother guard equipment, percussion equipment, anyone else’s instrument, or anything that does not belong to you. If you don’t play it, don’t touch it. You are responsible for anything you break.
5. Keep only music, pencil, paper, and instrument in locker. Absolutely no food, drinks, or textbooks in lockers.
6. Books left in the band room will be removed.
7. Horns and cases should be put up at all times. Do not leave instruments out of the cases on the ground.
8. No horseplay is allowed. Do not throw balls or anything else inside.
9. Do not write on, bend, or deface the music stands. Abuse of stands will not be tolerated.
10. The areas around the band room are to be kept clean and free from trash.

Each case of misconduct will be judged individually. Because all situations may not be foreseen and thus outlined here, each case will be dealt with in a manner decided on by the directors and staff. Poor conduct and behavior under any of the above circumstances will result in warnings, punishment (running laps etc.), suspension, or removal from the band. Inappropriate behavior not only reflects on the individual, but the band as well.

B. Rehearsal rules

1. Always be on time. Be in your seat with your folder, pencil, music, and instrument, ready to play at the time rehearsal starts.
2. If you need music, ask the librarian before or after rehearsal, but not during rehearsal.
3. When an authorized person is in front of the band, all attention is directed toward that person.
4. If the director is not working with your section for a particular time, quietly go over your part to yourself and do not talk.
5. Wait until the director dismisses you before you begin to put things away.
6. Do not leave music or any paper on the floor when you leave rehearsal. Pick up after yourself and return anything you may have borrowed.
7. Proper Attire is to be worn at rehearsal. No halter tops. No exposed mid-drifts. Boys must wear shirts.
8. During indoor rehearsals do not talk. This is an excellent time to work on music quietly.

C. Rehearsal schedules

1. All ensembles rehearse during class time. Occasionally extra rehearsals are needed. Schedules for extra rehearsal will be posted in plenty of time for students to arrange their work schedules. Marching band rehearses every Tuesday and Thursday from 3-5pm. In addition, Dance Team rehearses every Wednesday from 6-8pm. You cannot miss these. Enclosed is a band calendar for the year. **Read this carefully so you can arrange your schedule!**

D. Rehearsal attendance and grading policies

1. Your final grade will be determined from the following:
 - A. Music pass offs. (100 pts. – 10% of grade)
 - B. Playing and written exams. (100 pts. – 20% of grade)
 - C. **Participation** in classroom activities (having music, instrument, pencil, not chewing gum) and after school rehearsals.
 - D. **Performances** (half-time shows, marching and concert festivals, parades, and concerts) throughout the year. (each performance 100pts. – 60% of grade)
2. All rehearsals and performances are mandatory. They are a priority over work! Take your schedule to your work and let them know when you have rehearsals and performances. If you are injured you are still required to be at rehearsal.
3. **Unexcused missed rehearsal during school** in marching season may result in suspension from next performance.
(Excused absence may still perform if absence is not on a performance day)

4. **Two Missed performances during marching season** (unexcused) will result in suspension from half-time show.
5. Tardy to performances will result in loss of 3rd quarter break.
6. **Uniform violations** (Section 1. F.) during marching season will result in loss of 3rd quarter break or suspension from performance
7. **Missed performance during concert season** results in removal from all band activities for the remainder of the year. (unexcused).
8. **An excused absence** is defined as: personal illness (doctor's note required), death in the family, wedding, or **advanced** approval of absences by the directors due to unusual circumstances.
9. Excused Absence Procedure:
 - A. Students must present a written explanation signed by the parent in advance of any absence.
 - B. In an emergency, when a note in advance is not possible, a phone call as soon as you can **and a note** signed by the parent when the student returns will be acceptable.

If you quit band during the school year, YOUR SCHEDULE CANNOT BE CHANGED because of block scheduling. You will be given busy work to do for your daily grade. UNDERSTAND YOUR COMMITMENT TO THIS PROGRAM BEFORE SCHOOL STARTS!!!!

*******Any rehearsal or performance missed “REGARDLESS OF REASON” will result in the student making up the time equal to the amount of time the band spent at the activity. You must take care of “make up time”(excused) in order to get your grade! If you must miss a performance due to religious beliefs, you will be given work to make up missed time or you must make up hours missed. The directors, student, and parents may discuss this.**

E. Breaks (during camps and performances)

1. Never throw ice, water, or gator aid.
2. Throw away all cups before leaving the practice field. Use one cup per rehearsal.
3. You may enter the building to use the restroom during break times. You may not stay in the building.

F. Uniform policies

1. The uniform is to be regarded with the highest respect. **Any abuse of it will be dealt with severely.**
2. The uniform is worn only as a complete unit. Never wear only a part of the uniform, and always wear it correctly whenever you are in public.

During very hot conditions the director may allow you to remove your jacket.

3. Always wear your band T-shirt under the jacket.
4. Students must furnish solid black socks, white band gloves, and a pair of band shoes.
5. Clean your shoes before every performance.
6. All long hair must be worn tucked in the hat.
7. NO visible jewelry is allowed.
8. Always hang up the uniform properly in its proper place when it is not being worn.
9. When being transported, the uniform must be in a garment bag.
10. Band fee covers the cost of dry cleaning. Uniforms will be cleaned five times a year.
11. The hem of the pants should be between shoe top and sole. The band parents will hem uniform pants.
12. Students failing uniform inspection will lose their 3rd quarter break or suspension from performance.

G. Stand policies

1. Always *walk* up and down the stands.
2. Sit only where you are assigned in your section. No one is allowed to go into the other sections of the band.
3. Be prepared to stand and play at all times.
4. No food or drink (Except water) will be allowed in the stands.
5. Use the bathroom before and after the game. Students needing to use the restroom during the game must be accompanied by a chaperone.
6. Only Band members sit in the band section. No one will be allowed in or to pass through the band section.
7. No individual playing in the stands. Any “charges” etc. must be approved in advance by the directors and played only during the 3rd and 4th quarter. Get permission before starting.
8. Stands conduct must reflect the pride and dignity of the band at all times.
9. Never throw ice or anything else while in the stands.
10. Hats and uniforms will be worn correctly at all times.

II. Performance *Opportunities, Requirements, and Lettering*

A. Symphonic Band

1. Open to all students in band.
2. Membership is by audition and approval by the director.
 - A. Auditions material will be the 1st High School all-state selection, all twelve major scales, and sight-reading.

3. Auditions will be held in October. Placement in concert band will be determined by a point total.
4. Performs at concerts, attends District and State Festivals, (when qualified) and participates in Graduation.

B. Wind Ensemble

1. Open to all students in band.
2. Membership is by audition and approval by the director.
 - A. Auditions material will be the 1st High School all-state selection, all twelve major scales, and sight-reading.
3. Auditions will be held in October. Placement in concert band will be determined by a point total.
4. Performs at concerts, attends District and State Festivals, (when qualified) and participates in Graduation.
5. **Membership in marching band is required.**

C. Jazz Band

1. Open to students who play Saxophone, Trumpet, Trombone, Guitar, Piano, Bass, and Drums.
2. Membership is by audition and approval by the band director.
3. Auditions will be based on the all-state jazz audition music.
 - A. Placement is determined by a point total.
4. Performs at concerts, special events, and festivals.

D. Color Guard and Dance Team

The color guard and dance team are the visual ensembles of the marching band. They are comprised of members that perform on flag, rifle, and dance.

1. Membership is by audition and approval by the band director.
 - A. Auditions are held in the spring.
2. Full band rehearsal is Tuesday and Thursday 3:00 – 5:00pm
3. Color Guard rehearses during class, as well as one rehearsal a week after school. Dance Team rehearses third block, as well as one rehearsal a week after school. Other mandatory section rehearsals will be held as needed and will be posted at least one week prior.
4. Practices are to be taken seriously with each member giving 110% of their effort all of the time. Good attitudes, honesty, dedication, and positive feedback are essential. Bad attitudes will be asked to leave rehearsal.
5. Members are required to dress out for all rehearsals. For in class rehearsals dance team must wear dance shoes and appropriate dance attire (no school skirts or pants). Color Guard will wear shorts, T-shirt and tennis

shoes. For after school rehearsals with the full band, dance team will wear tennis shoes and have a pair of outside dance shoes as well as appropriate attire. Color Guard must wear tennis shoes and appropriate attire.

6. Large jewelry should be taken off for practices.

7. Cell phones are not allowed in rehearsals.

8. It is the responsibility of the member to learn any missed work due to absence.

9. Color Guard and Dance Team are sections of the marching band. See marching band performance requirements. **All Color Guard and Dance Team members are expected to participate in all parades including Mardi Gras whether or not they are in second semester band.** Failure to do this makes you ineligible for Dance and Color Guard the next year.

10. After rehearsal, all Color Guard and Dance Team members are expected to help put up field props, equipment, etc...

11. Members are expected to take part in all fundraisers.

12. Dance Team Members must participate in UDA summer dance camp, Baker Dance Camp and Baker Band Camp to learn choreography for halftime show.

13. Color Guard Members must participate in Baker Color Guard Camp and Baker Band Camp to learn choreography for halftime show.

14. Games and Performances

1. Dance Team and Color Guard should arrive in dressing room 2 hours prior to game time. Roll will be taken at 5:15pm for home games. Times will vary on away games.

2. Members should be prepared. A list of everything to bring will be given before the first game.

3. Each member is required to stay for the length of every game.

4. While in the stands members are not allowed to hang over the stand railing and hold conversations with friends and family. We are there to do a job, not socialize.

5. Members must ask permission to use the restroom and must take a buddy. At away games you must be accompanied by a chaperone.

6. Hair and make-up must be complete before you leave the dressing room, with the exception of lipstick.

7. Members must wear their dance team or color guard warm-ups during cold weather. Members will wear the rain gear provided by the band. We will match when we go places. Do not bring your personal weather gear. You will not be allowed to wear it.

8. During third quarter break do not leave the stadium and you must be back on time!

9. Remain spirited throughout the game. Remember, the crowd is watching you.

E. Marching Band

1. Open to all students.
2. Membership is opened to everyone, but final approval is by the band director.
3. All Students must have a recent physical on file that is not more than one year old.
4. Performs at Baker pep rallies, football games, parades, civic functions, special events, marching contests, and festivals.
5. Marching band is a requirement for Wind Ensemble.
6. All students in the Marching Band must be present for any and all performances associated with marching for the entire year.
7. Athletic Shoes must be worn for All Marching Band Rehearsals!
(NO FLIP-FLOPS)
8. You must provide a water bottle for yourself at rehearsals and during camp.

F. Lettering

1. Instrumentalists
 - a. Participate in band for a full year, or two full terms
(If you only participate in marching band, then you must participate in two marching seasons to letter)
 - b. Participate in Solo and Ensemble Festival
 - c. Participate in All-State Auditions and make it past the scales.
2. Color Guard & Dance Team
 - a. Participate in band for a full year, or two full terms
(If you only participate in marching band, then you must participate in two marching seasons to letter)
 - b. Participate in ALL marching band performances throughout the entire year including all mardi gras parades. No un-excused absences.

III. Band Fee Explanation

INSTRUMENTALIST Cost and Fees (Fees are non-refundable)

Breakdown of band fees

- 1) **BAND FEES \$50**
- 2) **BAND CAMP FEE \$60**
- 3) **UNIFORM CLEANING FEE \$ 40**
- 4) **UNIFORM RENTAL FEE – \$30**
- 5) **TRANSPORTATION FEE - \$100**
- 6) **BAND SHIRT - \$10**
- 7) **COMPOSITE PICTURE - \$10**
- 8) **BAND JACKET (wind breaker) - \$50 (for freshman only)**
- 9) **BAND SHOES** – We will be using the same shoe as last year. All incoming freshmen will be responsible for purchasing the shoes from us. We will check sizing at freshmen camp. The cost will be \$30. (Any band student needing to purchase new band shoes can do so at the beginning of band camp.) Shoes are not included as part of band fees. This is a separate fee because not everyone needs new shoes each year.
- 10) **GLOVES** – One pair of gloves will be issued to you as a part of your fees. Replacement gloves will be available for purchase for \$2 a pair (\$5 on game day)

Band Fees Total for Freshman - \$350

Band Fees Total for Veterans - \$300

FEE SCHEDULE:

May 13th - \$100 due to secure your spot in the marching show

(June 3 – absolute last day to have at least \$100 paid in order to be in the show!!)

July 1st - \$100

August 1st – Rookies - \$150 – Vets - \$100

Please make all checks payable to **Baker High School Band**

CONCERT BAND FEE is \$50.00 Due January 23rd 2015

COLORGUARD Cost and Fees (Fees are non-refundable)

1st PAYMENT \$100 - (non-refundable) Saturday April 26th immediately following audition.

Color Guard Members will be measured for uniform the following practice on May 19th.

UNIFORMS WILL NOT BE ISSUED UNLESS PAID IN FULL!

BAND FEE

TRANSPORTATION

CAMP FEE

FIELD UNIFORM

SHOES

PEP RALLY SHIRT

BAND T-SHIRT

COMPOSITE PICTURE

PEP RALLY SKIRT (for rookies only)

WARM-UP UNIFORM (for rookies only)

EQUIPMENT

TOTAL FEES FOR COLOR GUARD MEMBERS - \$600

FEE DATES: Total Fee - \$600

1st payment - \$100 – April 26th immediately following audition

2nd payment – \$150 June 2nd

3rd payment – \$150 July 7th - 1st of Guard Camp

4th payment –\$200 August 1st (Parent Night)

There are No Refunds for Items Ordered

Dance Team

Fees List 2014-2015 (Fees are non-refundable)

Band Fees:

Travel	\$100.00
Band Fee	\$50.00
Band Camp Fee	\$60.00
Composite Picture	\$10.00
Band T-Shirt	\$10.00

Dance Team Fees:

Pep Rally Uniform	\$124.00
Pep Rally Shoes	\$45.00
Poms	\$20.00
Field Show Uniform	\$200.00
Jazz Shoes	\$30.00
Tights (2 pair)	\$25.00
Accessories (Jewelry/Rhinestones)	\$25.00
Choreography	\$150.00
Shorts	\$25.00

Extras:

Warm Up	\$100.00
Sports Bra	\$30.00
Sweat Pants	\$30.00
Tank Top	\$22.50
Throw back T	\$23.00
Primo Tank	\$24.50
Leggings	\$21.00
Hip Hop Shoes	\$30.00
Bag	\$20.00

Total for Dance Team: \$1,175.00

There are No Refunds for items that have been ordered.

Payment Schedule

Saturday May 4th	\$100.00
Monday June 3rd	\$200.00 + minimum \$200 Sponsor money due!
Monday July 1st	\$200.00
Monday August 6th	\$200.00
Tuesday September 3rd	REMAINING BALANCE

Checks should be made out to Baker Band Boosters

Costs and Fees for Jazz Band (Fees are non-refundable)

Jazz Band Fee \$25.00.

You may call the band room office, 221-3005, at any time to check the status of your fees. Please make sure your fees are paid at the designated times.

We have tried to spread out the payments in order to make it easier. Prompt payment makes it much easier for our bookkeeper. Please keep all receipts or cancelled checks to insure proper credit for payment. (Sometimes we make mistakes!)

Please use the proper payment procedure listed on the band office wall. Do not hand money to a band director or Mrs. Hoffman.

Note: Any equipment ordered for you (shoes, color guard uniform, instrument, etc.) must be paid for, even if you quit band before band camp starts and have never used it. Students who are sized for something and decide to quit band before it gets used STILL OWE US THE MONEY!! Moneys are nonrefundable.

IV. Officers

A. Student leaders play an important part in the band. All Officers are **REQUIRED** to audition for All-State! *Positions include the following:*

1. Drum Major (audition)
2. Uniform Coordinator (elected)
3. Transportation Coordinator and Historian (elected)
4. Librarian (appointed)
5. Publicity Coordinator (appointed)
6. Section Leaders (interview)

B. Duties of Officers

1. **Drum Major** - Plan monthly council meetings, plan and supervise duties of band council, attend selected band parent meetings, and birthday cards to students and organizes the freshman fitness program.
2. **Uniform Coordinator** – Supervise uniform turn in, uniform inspection before performances, and inform directors of any neglect.
3. **Historian** – Compile scrapbook and do list of locks and lockers. Check in-out of school owned instruments, check name tags on all instrument cases, check up on maintenance of school owned instruments, and keep track of inventory.
4. **Transportation Coordinator** - Bus lists and serves as bus captain.
5. **Librarian** – Organize the Music Library
6. **Publicity Coordinator** – Manage the Web-Site and Band Publicity
7. **Section Leaders** – Administrative duties, section rehearsals, assist

with learning fundamentals and drill. Handle everyday responsibilities. Motivate members during practices and performances. Run sectionals. Keep track of attendance. Follow the rules all the time. Help maintain focus during rehearsals.

8. **Class Representatives-** Aid the above mentioned positions throughout the marching season.

C. Students must fulfill all responsibilities of these positions in addition to the normal responsibilities of a band member. You must behave as a good example to others. Failure to do either will result in removal from this position

E X T R A T I P S

I. Camps In General

- A. Always wear tennis shoes. (nothing else will be allowed)
- B. Get to know your section leader.
- C. Always be quiet and pay attention
- D. Ask questions if you don't understand something.
- E. Wear sunscreen. Don't forget your sunglasses or bottle of water!!!
- F. Adhere to the Central Office Dress code. We will go over this before band camp begins.

II. Sectionals

- A. Be quiet at all times. Show respect to section leaders and all other leaders.
- B. Work on your music quietly if your section leader is working with someone else.
- C. If you are having trouble with your music, tell your section leader. There are older members there to help you.
- D. Have all of your music memorized ahead of time. Section leaders will pass you off on this. Your grade depends on it. This means practice at home!
- E. Learn your 12 major scales. You will have to know them during the year. A copy of the scales may be found in the student filing cabinet.

III. Band Camp

- A. Wear tennis shoes, no sandals or flip flops.
- B. When drill sets are being worked on, keep track of how many counts each move is and commit it to memory as fast as you can. Practice your music to these counts so you can develop a clear picture of how the drill and music work together.
- C. Write in drill counts above the measures in your music.
- D. March correctly at all times when working on drill or fundamentals. We

expect 100% effort all the time.

E. Take advantage of the time you are standing still to learn your music and how it corresponds to the drill.

F. Bring a poncho.

G. Put your name on your cooler and lunchbox.

H. Eat a good breakfast and drink plenty of fluids (not milk, it will make you sick in the hot sun!)

IV. Performances

A. CLEAN AND POLISH YOUR SHOES AND INSTRUMENT BEFORE EVERY PERFORMANCE.

B. Be early so you will not be rushed and forget something. Poor planning on your part does not constitute an emergency on the part of the directors.

C. Double check everything before you leave home...instrument, all parts of the uniform, sticks, reeds, mouthpiece, guard equipment, money to eat with, band shoes etc.

V. Trips

A. Before arriving at the meeting place, put your name and bus number on all your luggage and your instrument.

B. Bring a pillow and a blanket.

C. You may bring a radio, but you must use earphones.

D. On charter busses with a VCR, you will be allowed to bring movies. **NO RATED R or PG-13 MOVIES ALLOWED! Only G or PG**

E. Bring travel games to help pass the time.

F. Sit with someone you get along with.

G. Be courteous to those around you who may be sleeping.

H. Wear comfortable clothing. Remember your appearance reflects the band.

I. No girls will be allowed in boy's rooms at any hotel or vice versa.

J. Make arrangements for parents to pick you up within ½ hour of returning from a trip. If you drive please leave ASAP. Do not loiter. Chaperones will stay until every student has left or other arrangements have been made.

K. Please keep bus clean at all times. Do not leave until bus captain/bus driver ok's cleanliness.

L. Bus rules apply at all times.

M. Parent or guardian will not be allowed to pick you up from any event without written clearance. No one except your legal parent or guardian (registered with Baker High School) will be allowed to pick you up from an event or check you out of a chaperone group, so please don't ask. Before leaving, inform the band director, bus captain, and bus chaperone.