

Ironwood High School Marching Band

2024 – 2025 Season Agreement

Thank you for your interest in joining our Marching Eagles Regiment. We are excited to kick off our 2024 - 2025 season. The mission of Ironwood's band is to move and inspire the Ironwood Community through exceptional character and musical excellence. This agreement provides important details of the band program such as important dates, Fair Share Fees and payment due dates, expectations, contact information and more. It is important that both you and your parent(s) and/or guardian(s) read through this agreement in its entirety. In order for us to have a successful season this agreement must be understood and agreed upon by both students and parent(s) and/or guardian(s). **This agreement must be signed by both the student and the parent(s) and/or guardian(s) and turned into Mr. Acevedo prior to the start of band camp. Please only return the signature page, keep the other pages for future reference.**

CONTACT INFORMATION

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Please be sure to add our email addresses to your contact list so you don't miss important communications, newsletters and billing info. By providing us your email address and mailing address on the signed agreement you are giving the IBCF permission to email you and/or send necessary information via the US Postal Service.

The Ironwood Band Community Foundation (IBCF) is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization. The purpose of the Ironwood Band Community Foundation is to financially and physically support the music program of Ironwood High School and to accelerate the development of music students in its Band Community.

FEES

There is a fee to be in marching band. The Fair Share Fee this year is \$350.00.

Your student's Fair Share Fee covers items that are exclusive to them. These items include, but not limited to, their water jug, backpack, show shirt, shoes and uniform. The band has many expenses above and beyond the items listed here. A few of these expenses are music, props, additional staff for student instruction, U-hauls and fuel for competitions and our equipment – instruments, flags and sound gear. Please keep in mind that our program is not funded by the district or school. The Fair Share Fee's we collect cover roughly half the cost of our program to operate, the balance depends on heavy fundraising, private donations and sponsorships from businesses within our community.

FEE DUE DATES – It is imperative that all fees are received at the start of our program as that is when most of our expenses are due. If you are unable to make the payments by the date due, please promptly reach out to the IBCF to setup a payment plan. **Unpaid fees can potentially affect future participation in the band program.**

First Payment - **\$200.00 Due on July 19th, 2024**

Second Payment - **\$150.00 Due on August 30th, 2024**

In addition to the Fair Share Fee the school also charges a Student Athletic Participation Fee of \$100.00 and an Equipment Fee of \$50.00. These fees are due at the beginning of the season and should be paid to the bookstore no later than August 16th, 2024. This is a district requirement; no exceptions can be made by the Band Director. These fees DO NOT apply towards your Fair Share Fee. Remember to take advantage of the Arizona State Tax Credit when paying your \$100.00 Student Athletic Participation Fee. Please see the school's website for the forms and to answer any questions you may have regarding the tax credit. (The Arizona State Tax Credit can NOT be used to pay your student's Fair Share Fee).

PHYSICALS – DUE BY JULY 16TH, 2024

All students are required to have a sports physical prior to the start of band camp. YES, marching band is considered a sport! This is a district requirement; no exceptions can be made by the Band Director. The links to Register My Athlete can

be found on Ironwood High School's website. Please allow enough time for processing your registration by the school prior to the start of band camp.

EXPECTATIONS

GRADES – Ironwood has a No pass, No Play policy. Students must maintain a passing grade in order to participate in extracurricular activities. Grades are checked by teachers each Friday. If the student has a failing grade, they will receive a "Red Card". Receiving a Red Card means the student is not eligible to participate in the following week's game and/or event. If the student brings their grade up to passing before the event happens, the teacher can clear the student to participate.

ATTENDANCE – We expect all students to be in attendance and be on time for every rehearsal, football game and competition! If you are involved in other school activities, we are willing to work with you on scheduling. Of course, we understand emergencies happen. If you are unable to attend any of the scheduled rehearsals or events, please notify your Section Leader and your Band Director in a timely manner. We expect there to be thorough communication between students, parents and instructors.

ETIQUETTE

- Be on time! This means being 10-15 minutes early to everything.
“To be early is to be on time, to be on time is to be late, to be late is to be forgotten.” — **Elin Hilderbrand, A Summer Affair**
- Marching band is hard work, yet a ton of fun! We expect everyone to maintain a positive attitude and be ready to learn.
- Be respectful at all times, to everyone, including yourself! Respecting all of your instructors, staff, and band mates is a top priority. All of our band volunteers are to be shown the same respect as everyone else. Remember our volunteers are also a vital part of our band. Our program is intended to be a safe and comfortable environment for all of our students and staff.

Inappropriate behavior will **NOT** be tolerated and will result in an appropriate consequence.

- All students are expected to follow Ironwood's rules and expectations as outlined in the Student Handbook. You can find the Student Handbook on the school's website for more information regarding school rules, regulations, and policies.

INSTRUMENTS AND EQUIPMENT

All students are responsible for their instrument(s) and/or equipment – this includes all Color Guard equipment as well. You are solely responsible for any fees associated with loss, damage, repair or replacement associated with your instrument(s) and/or equipment. You are solely responsible to checkout instruments and/or equipment from the Band Director before using said items for other extracurricular activities outside of our program. Once the instrument(s) and/or equipment leaves the school grounds it is your complete responsibility.

REFUNDS

Band Participation Fees become nonrefundable after our show costumes, equipment and supplies have been ordered. Please keep in mind our costumes are designed specifically for our show and custom fitted for each student. Once our order has been placed with the vendor(s) we can't cancel it, therefore no refunds can be issued to the student. Any refunds that may be issued prior to our costume, equipment and supplies order(s) will be refunded by check or refunded back to the card used for payment. Please note credit/debit card processing fees will not be refunded.

DISNEYLAND

Every spring the band students have an opportunity to take a school trip to Disneyland. In order to be eligible to go to Disneyland the Fair Share Fee of \$350.00 must be paid in full.

VOLUNTEERS

The IBCF is always looking for helping hands. We have several different volunteer opportunities throughout the marching season. Please reach out to the IBCF if you are able to lend a hand to any (or all of our events). Parent help is much appreciated and always needed to make our band program successful.

“Many hands make light work” – **John Heywood**

All volunteers are required to watch the orientation video and complete the PUSD volunteer forms.

IMPORTANT DATES

- **Leadership Camp** – This is only for section leaders.
July 17th and 18th, 2024 8:00 am – 3:00 pm
- **Band Camp – THIS IS MANDATORY OF ALL STUDENTS TO PARTICIPATE IN MARCHING BAND!**
Week 1 – July 22nd – July 26th, 2024 8:00 am – 5:00 pm
Week 2 – July 29th – August 2nd, 2024 8:00 am – 5:00 pm
- **Weekly evening Rehearsal** – Every Monday and Thursday evenings from 5:30 – 9:00 pm. First evening rehearsal begins on Thursday August 8th, 2024. This means be in your respected rehearsal space at 5:30 pm and ready to go. Dismissal from rehearsal is 9:00 pm followed by clean up. If school is closed on a Monday, rehearsal will be moved to Tuesday evening.

SAVE THE DATES

- **Saturday Rehearsals and Events**
September 21st, 2024 - Preview Show & Family BBQ
October 22nd, 2024 - PUSD Showcase
- **Friday Night Football Games**
August 30th, 2024 - Away @ Trevor Browne
September 6th, 2024 – Future Freshman Nigh Vs Central
September 13th, 2024 - Home Vs South Mountain

September 20th, 2024 - Away @ Kellis
September 27th, 2024 - Home Vs Verrado
October 4th, 2024 - Homecoming Vs Agua Fria
October 11th, 2024 - Away @ Goldwater
October 25th, 2024 - Away @ Desert Vista
November 1st, 2024 - Senior Night Vs Willow Canyon
November 8th, 2024 - Away @ Apollo

● **Competitions**

September 28th, 2024 - Casa Grande AZMBA
October 12th, 2024 - Mountain Ridge AZMBA
October 19th, 2024 - Canyon View AZMBA
October 26th, 2024 - NAU ABODA
November 2nd, 2024 - ABODA Semi-Finals
November 9th, 2024 - AZMBA Champs
November 16th, 2024 - ABODA Finals

Dates and times are subject to change.

NOTES _____

I, the undersigned, have read and understand the above agreement. I agree to pay the amount of \$350.00 in accordance with the above payment schedule (unless other arrangements have been made in a timely manner). I am aware of the time commitment required to participate in marching band. I understand that I am financially responsible for any damage and/or loss caused to my instrument(s) and/or equipment that belongs to Ironwood High School. I agree to follow the rules and procedures for both behavior and attendance.

Student Name (please print): _____ Grade: _____

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____

Student Email: _____

Student Phone Number: _____

Parent/Guardian Name (please print): _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent/Guardian Email: _____

Parent/Guardian Phone Number: _____

Parent/Guardian Name (please print): _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent/Guardian Email: _____

Parent/Guardian Phone Number: _____

Mailing Address: _____