

Winter guard parent meeting minutes 12/2/19

General information/teams

If you do not have a CHARMS account yet, email the band secretary (centurybandsecretary@gmail.com) to get an account set up.

There will be 2 winter guard teams this year, a high school team and a cadet team. The high school will not have Varsity and JV. We want to put a lot of effort this year into recruiting for the cadet group and we want to give all of our big group of seniors a great year. This will give our staff more time to focus on 2 teams instead of 3.

The cadet (middle school) group will be run by our color guard staff with high school students helping out.

The staff will work with both teams to help both the experienced and new team members build skills and feel challenged.

Brian will plan to send out information on Wednesday nights of competition weeks about the upcoming weekend performance.

Brian has a show and costumes planned for both the high school and middle school teams.

Practices

Practices for the high school team will be 6-9 on T/Th at Peter Boscow starting 12/3. Experienced cadets are invited to come to the high school practices until cadet practices start.

Mr Dunlop is looking into the possibility of an activity bus that can take the students from Century to Peter Boscow but we are not sure if that will happen.

Cadet practices will be M/W at Brown starting the first week in January. The space is already reserved for 3:45-5:15 but exact practice times have not been decided yet. More information will come soon.

There will be no practice over Christmas break except maybe Jan 4. More info will come later.

The practice times and competitions are all on the Century band calendar. That can be found on the Century band website (centuryband.org) under parent info/links. The teams will have one weekend off a month during the season. The plan is to bring the middle school team to all of the same competitions as the high school team this year.

Besides the competitions, there will be a "friends and family" show at the end of the season.

Recruiting and Cost

We will be asking the experienced cadet members to help hand out fliers and recruit new members at Brown soon.

The cost for the high school team will be \$300 for the season, plus a costume fee. To help with recruiting, the fee for any new member who joins will be \$200. We will also take \$100 off of the fees for experienced members for every new person that they recruit.

Middle school guard \$100 fee. There will not be a separate costume fee for the middle school. We are going to try and reuse some of the costumes that we have to keep costs down for that group.

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Other Resources:

CHARMS

Nwapa.net – competition circuit in the PNW

WGI.org – National circuit, regional championship at Skyview HS

Centuryband.org – band website

Jim Dunlop – Director of Bands (dunlopj@hsd.k12.or.us)

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