Attendance Policy Reminders

Dear Members and Parents,

Please take a moment to review the following reminders about our attendance policy for the Gold Brigade. *All rehearsals and performances for the Gold Brigade are MANDATORY for all members.*

All students are expected to arrive 15-30 minutes early so that rehearsals can begin ON TIME. For instance, a Tuesday night rehearsal from 6-9pm means arrive at 5:45pm. A rehearsal in the stadium means to arrive 30 minutes before rehearsal begins!

Students who accumulate any unexcused absences or excessive excused absences (three or more per season) are subject to the following consequences or punishments:

- Additional practice time and assignments
- Grade penalties
- Removal from performances or change in spot/performance responsibilities
- Loss of 3rd quarter breaks at football games
- Loss of privileges to participate in team social activities or team trips
- Loss of jacket letter and years-of-membership awards
- Removal from the Gold Brigade with no refund of fees

Excused absences may be granted in the event of:

- Illness with a doctor's note AND parent-director contact
- Death in family
- Schedule conflict with another Warren Central High School activity
- Emergency circumstances and other excuses pre-approved by a director

Excused absences may be granted if a PARENT contacts <u>a band director</u> BEFORE the start of the rehearsal.

- A phone call or text to another student or staff member is NOT an excused absence.
- Absence from school does not automatically count as an excused absence
- There are no excused absences from competitions.
- "Family emergency" cannot count as an excused absence unless details are provided to a director.

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Unexcused absences include:

- No call / No show
- Job or babysitting

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- Tardies
- Any absence that is not "excused" based on the criteria above

Thank You, The Band Directors of The Warren Central HS Gold Brigade Band & Guard

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