

# **RHEA COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL MARCHING BAND CONTRACT**

Marching Band is unlike any other activity at Rhea County High School. Although it meets during the day, it also meets after school and on Saturdays for rehearsals and performances. All of these times outside of the regular class time are a REQUIRED part of the class and the student's grade depends upon his/her participation. This class also begins during the summer months to get ready for the football half time show. This requires many hours of inside and outside practice.

Once the numbers are set, the show is written, the drill is taught and the camp is over we are committed to perform and compete with the show we have learned. If a student quits at this point, the entire band suffers because having a hole in the show will negatively affect our grade at contest. The only recourse is to teach a new person that position or to totally rewrite the show and eliminate the hole. This slows down our progress and would be a major setback. To eliminate this problem we are requiring the signing of this contract to be sure the student and parent(s) understand the commitment necessary.

Marching Band conflicts with several fall sports and extracurricular activities, and because of this, we will not be able to allow new band members to participate in fall sports that conflict. Please check with Mr. Denton & coaches/sponsors of any other fall activity you plan to participate in before signing this contract. There are NO conflicts with spring sports. During the marching season it needs to be understood that band members must put after school Marching Band rehearsals and performances first on their priority list. They will NOT be excused for any other school activity.

**Marching Band members will NOT be allowed to change their schedule in order to drop band or change to another band class during the fall semester. They may change at Christmas break if they so desire. Any band fees that have been paid are non-refundable.**

## **Rehearsal Time Requirements:**

Band Camp

July 25 - Aug 4            8am - 3pm at RCHS

August 9 & 11th        6pm - 9pm at RCHS

Regular after school rehearsals:

Tuesday and Thursday 3:00-6:00

Rehearsals will be shortened following the last contest of the season.

## **Performances:**

Every football game – regular season and play-offs

Marching Band Contests on Saturdays

Christmas Concert

Dayton Christmas Parade

Spring City Christmas Parade

Concert Festival

Spring Concert

RCHS Graduation and Rehearsal

Public appearances as scheduled

# RHEA COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL MARCHING BAND CONTRACT

## Expenses:

The board of education provides minimal support each year for each high school in order to maintain the band program. It is up to the students and parents to pay or fundraise money for transportation, uniforms, extra clinics, and general operating expense.

The following expenses are outside of the Band Booster budget and need to be *paid to the Rhea County High School Band*.

You may send a check or money order to:

**Rhea County High School Band**  
**405 Pierce Rd.**  
**Evansville, TN 37332**

Band Fees-\$90

7/29/11 Full payment due - \$90

This pays for additional instructors, the band shirt, uniform cleaning, and supplies.

Other money that you may owe:

Shoes - \$25-30

Gloves - \$2

School Owned Instrument fee - \$20/semester

(Please detach and return to the RCHS Band at the above address)

-----  
I am aware that membership in the Rhea County Band program requires a time commitment. Other people are depending on me. I further understand that I am committing to being in the Marching Band until the end of the Fall Semester.

Student's Name (print) \_\_\_\_\_ Instrument \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Parent's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Parent's Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Cell Phone(s) \_\_\_\_\_