



RESPONSIBILITIES OF BAND PARENTS

- Show a keen interest in what your child is learning and doing at band.
- Encourage your child to learn and practice their music at home.
- Help support their development by entering them in solo competitions.
- Respect the efforts of the instructors and don't interfere with their directions during lessons and band events.
- Ensure you contact your instructor if your child will be late or unable to attend practice.
- Attend practice with your child. This will allow you to get to know your child's instructor and to become better acquainted with the other band parents.
- Participate in all fundraising throughout the year. Fundraising helps our children now and in the future.
- Contact the Pipe Major or Drum Sergeant if you have any questions or concerns related to music, parades, performances, uniforms or instruction. For all other questions or concerns please contact the President or Vice President of the Association. Having an open dialog within the band will allow for better communication and resolve issues as they come up so to avoid long term problems.
- Make sure that your child (as much as practical) are in attendance at all parades, events, and competitions/massed bands. For older students who are working; advance notice is usually provided in order to re-arrange work schedules accordingly. **Attendance is required in order for the Band to perform as a group.**
- We use TeamSnap as a tool to keep parents up to date, manage our roster, and our schedule. Parents are expected to install this app or use it on the web site www.teamsnap.com. It is particularly useful to subscribe your phone to the calendar!
- Have a willingness to serve on a position on the Executive of the association
- Please insure that younger children keep themselves busy and not run around the school.
- Please ensure that you do not let anyone in the school who is not associated with the Band or any other group that may be meeting at the same time.
- Help advertise the band: Put up posters at work, talk to your friends, list in newsletters....
- Help your child maintain their own uniform and keep all the pieces together.
- Please review the Responsibilities of Band Members together with your child.
- Remember, were here for our children. As a group, they are the ones who benefit from our actions through our continued commitment to the Band.



RESPONSIBILITIES OF STUDENTS AND BAND MEMBERS

- Attend practices and lessons as arranged in advance by your instructor. You must call your instructor if you are unable to attend practice, or if you are going to be late.
- Learn and practice all new music as quickly and as diligently as possible.
- Come prepared for your lesson or practice.
- Practice on your own between band practices or lessons.
- Attend all parades, events, and competitions/massed bands after receiving your uniform.
- Behave in an orderly and proper manner when in uniform. Remember **you** are representing your Band.
- Maintain a clean uniform and always put it away for the next time you use it.
- Respect and follow the rules of the Band as set down by the Pipe Major, Drum Sergeant, instructors and the Association.
- **When using social media, band members are not permitted to post any comments that are disrespectful towards any other band members, instructors, parents, supporters or any aspect of the Transcona and District Pipe Band operation. The same applies to other pipe bands, supporting organizations, related groups and events.**
- Electronic devices are not permitted while at practice, with the exception of the instructors.
- Help advertise your band by talking to your friends and family. Put up posters at school and get our name in your school. We're always looking for new students!
- Obey the rules of Harold Hatcher School on Tuesday evenings.
- Remove your shoes/boots in the entranceway of school (bring an extra pair of shoes). The staff will have already waxed the floors.
- Do not play with any of the sports equipment in the gym and stay within the designated areas for band practices. Do not play with items in the drumming classroom.
- Running around & horseplay will not be tolerated and can cause us to lose the school.
- Report anything out of the ordinary to a parent or your instructor.