

Uniform Dress Code

The Sequoyah High School Music program believes strongly that the appearance of a performing organization directly impacts the attitude of all members. There are many studies that prove groups or organizations behave better and more appropriately when dressed in a uniform manner. The following policy and guidelines should be adhered to at all times. Only the director can make changes or amendments to these guidelines.

Marching band:

1. The band will wear its regular uniform at all times while in attendance of a performance. When traveling by bus everyone must be in full uniform upon exiting the bus. Full uniform is described below:
2. Coat (fully zipped and buttoned including collar), pants, correct shoes and socks. The shako and/or gloves, do not have to be worn unless specifically required by the director.
3. Upon notification from the director the black coat can be **removed IF, and only if**, the proper band shirt is worn underneath. Otherwise you must wear the full uniform. (The director may allow the shako to be removed.)
4. Color Guard members will wear their uniform **or other matching outfit** as designated by the auxiliary director and band director. No article of clothing that violates the regular school dress code is acceptable.
5. In cold weather letter jackets only will be permitted. Students should be prepared to dress in layers under their tunics.

Students who continually violate the marching band dress code will be removed from participation for one or more games, at the discretion of the Director of Bands.

Dress code for concerts:

Symphony Band, Symphonic Band, and String Orchestra – **The standard dress** for all members of these groups is **Formal Black**; For Men: tuxedos pants, tuxedo coat, white, pleated formal shirt, black satin cummerbund, bow tie, black shoes, socks. For Ladies: Tuxedo skirt, black blouse, pearl necklace, black shoes, black stockings. The MABC provides this uniform for all students, the cost of which is included in their fee, but if you choose not to use this uniform you must still dress appropriate to this code. These performances are all grade-based and points will taken from students who do not wear the appropriate attire.

Appropriate attire includes:

- Men's shirt tails tucked in.
- The correct shoes (black), black socks or stockings (no 'fish nets').
- Ladies skirts buttoned down below the knee.
- Ladies skirts (waist band) should NOT be rolled down at all.
- NO street clothes worn beneath the entire uniform (or colored shirt beneath white shirt).
- Everyone should remain dressed (in concert uniform) from report time to the end of the concert; do not exit the warm-up room (or sit in the audience) half-dressed.

S.H.A.P.E. – Percussion ensembles will wear **all black**; black pants, shoes, socks and black turtle neck (true or mock) unless designated by director as formal black attire.

Ocean Spray Steel Drum Band – Khaki shorts, sandals, band T-shirt underneath a loud, 'Hawaiian' type shirt.

Jazz Band – Khaki shorts or pants (depending on the weather), polo or golf shirts, black with design embroidery (to be decided by group).

Pep Band – Letter jackets, band shirt, any black & gold shirt, and jeans or other school-approved pants.