

Congratulations!

YOU'RE IN!

You are entering an elite group of students known for incredible musicianship, outstanding marching and maneuvering, and a 30-year camaraderie of the "Black and Gold." The Waconia Marching Band has a long tradition of including the absolute best kids from Waconia High School, and we are so excited to include you on the **long** list of Waconia High School Marching Band members!



We realize that this group does ask for a high level of commitment, but we can guarantee that the 2014 WMB is an experience that will be rewarding in so many ways, and will be a season we will never forget! These commitments include:

- **A strict attendance policy:** We expect students to be 100% fully committed to the WMB, because to be excellent, we need everyone to be present at all meetings, rehearsals, and performances (An EXCUSED ATTENDANCE Form must be turned in for extreme cases).
****A full schedule for the entire MB season is attached to this letter – please note that because the season is still months away, there may be slight fluctuations.*
- **A financial commitment:** We leave no stone unturned when trying to keep the season cost as low as possible. At this point we can simply give a price range of \$800-950. Once finalized through our travel company the trip/fuel cost and with the bus company the fuel surcharge costs we will have a final number. We will use the following Payment Schedule to keep everyone up to date:

Marching Band Tuition Fees (trip fee IS included in this cost)

- Payment 1: \$200, due March 6th
- Payment 2: \$250, due March 27th
- Payment 3: \$250, due April 24th
- Payment 4: BALANCE(not to exceed 300), due May 22nd

Other Fees include:

- Purchased at Spring Meeting:
 - Band Shoes (\$35 onetime cost unless grew out of shoes)
 - Lyre (hornline only) onetime cost \$5-20 depending on instrument
 - Gloves (hornline only) \$6/pair (each season, 2 pairs suggested)
 - Dri-Fit Uniform Wicking-T (horn/drumline, amsquat/street helper new members or if you lost or outgrew)
- WHS Activity Fees: Current 8th-12th graders: \$165
- Drumline Fee \$25 (each season- helps to cover sticks/stick tape/drum heads)
- Color Guard Fee \$25 (each season – helps to cover equipment/uniform cost)
- OPTIONAL:
 - MB Apparel: Costs and flyer will be distributed early of April for order at Marching Band information meeting

****Please note that scholarship forms are available in the band office, and payment plans are possible upon conversation with Mr. Snyder/Mrs. Palmer/Mr. Pohland*