



Amherst Marching Comets Color Guard



Working for Excellence

Definition of Color Guard

In a marching band or a drum and bugle corps, the color guard is a non-musical section that provides additional visual aspects to the performance.

Website

<http://marchingcomets.com/Guard/tabid/5164/Default.aspx>

Introduction of Advisor

Ms. Kocheff

I am finishing my 9th year of teaching and coaching.

I taught and coached Dance, Color Guard, and Cheer at North Ridgeville High School for 5 years.

I built the dance program from the ground up at NRHS and took the team to the OASSA States Competition.

I was the Color Guard Advisor at NRHS for 3 years.

I coached the Freshmen cheer squad at NRHS.

I was a classically trained dancer starting at age 3.

I am finishing my fourth year as a teacher and coach for MLS.

Handbook/ Requirements

Fundraising & Pricing

All families are expected to participate in fundraising.

Boosters & Fundraising

- Meetings are the last Tuesday of every month starting at 6:30pm in the Band room.
- All money fundraised will go towards the general band account.



Guard Wear & Equipment

Items to be purchased on

<http://www.plthreads.com/blank>

- Warm Up Jacket: \$50
(Mandatory)
- Bag: \$45 (Mandatory)
- Hairpiece: \$8 (Mandatory)
- Tank (Optional)
- Tee (Optional)
- Quarter-zip Sweatshirt (Optional)

Items to be purchased through the
Band Boosters

- Shoes: \$30 (Mandatory)
- Sleeves: \$14 (Mandatory)
- Gloves: \$25 (Mandatory)
- Personal Equipment Bag \$33
(Optional)

Items to be purchased through
Laurel Florek (CLDesigns)

- Rifle: \$40 (Mandatory)

Camp/Travel Pricing: It's a Disney Year!!!!

Band Camp: \$110 (yearly)

Disney (Every other year): \$820

Equipment Rental fee: \$10 (yearly)

Includes some meals, park tickets, hotel, and travel.

Includes Lunch, a snack, and dinner during 3-a-days.

**\$100 down
payment due
May 1st!**



Facebook & Remind



- Facebook:

Color Guard:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/363809933821652/>

Band: <https://www.facebook.com/amherstmarchingcomets/>

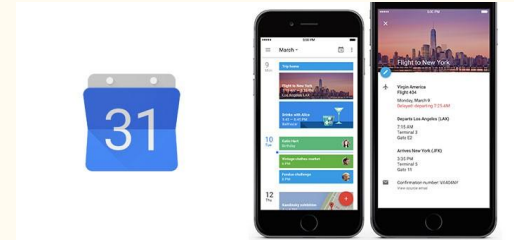
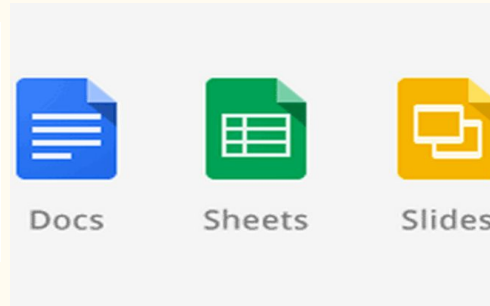
- Remind is a free texting service we use so we do not have to give our cell phone number out.



Communication

- All information will be distributed to parents via email or on the website. The girls will get it through Remind and/or Email.
- ALL Amherst students have, and will be expected to use, their [@amherstk12.org](mailto:amherstk12.org) email.
- It would be helpful for all parents to also have a GMAIL account as documents and calendars can be shared quickly and efficiently this way.
- Apps to get:

- a. Google Drive
- b. Google Docs
- c. Google Sheets
- d. Google Calendar



Audition Information

Everything is on the website.

- Application (Google Form)
- Score Sheet
- AMC Color Guard Handbook & Social Media Agreement
- Schedule

Tryout Checklist

- Application
- 1 Teacher Recommendation
- 1 Director/Advisor Recommendation (current members only)
- Printed Grades from Powerschool
- AMC Color Guard Handbook Release Form
- AMC Color Guard Social Media Agreement

All items are due BEFORE the student will be able to attend clinics.

June/July Practices

- We will start practice June 12th and continue Tuesday-Thursday from 7am-9:30am to prepare for band camp.
- Make sure to have the Google Calendar on your phone. I will NOT pass out a paper copy.
- <http://marchingcomets.com/Guard/GuardCalendar/tabid/5167/Default.aspx>

Band Camp

- **Band Camp 3-A-Days**

- Week of July 29th Sunday-Friday 8am-9pm (Sunday & Wednesday 1pm-9pm)

- **Band Camp 2-A-Days**

- Week of August 6th 8am-3pm

- **Band Camp 1-A-Day**

- August 13th, 16th, & 17th 6pm-9pm

- **Band Lock-in (Tentative)**

- Friday, August 10th

- **First Day of School**

- Monday, August 20th 2:45pm-4:45pm

Questions?