



# OHHS Color Guard 2024 Auditions Info Packet



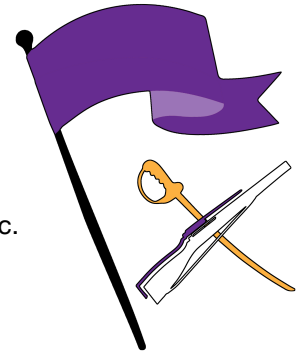
**The OHHS Color Guard is starting its 6th year this fall.  
We would LOVE for you to join us!**

This is a brief summary of what's involved and/or required. If you have any questions that are not answered here, please contact us via email: [guard@ohhsbandboosters.com](mailto:guard@ohhsbandboosters.com)

## What is Color Guard/Winter Guard?

Color Guard is a performance art that uses dancing and acting while spinning flags, rifles and other equipment to give a visual interpretation of music. The Color Guard performs alongside the Wildcat Show Band (marching band) in the fall season at football game half times, parades and marching band competitions.

Winter Guard is the same except they perform and compete on their own to prerecorded music. To see examples of both fall & winter seasons, please visit our website, social media and/or YouTube pages. Our Website: <https://www.ohhssbandboosters.com/colorguard>



## How hard is Color Guard?

Color Guard can be physical and mentally demanding. Like any other sport, you will need to build endurance, muscle strength as well as increase your mental sharpness and focus. Don't worry, we don't demand that on the first day.. We will teach you these skills starting with basics and progress as we go.

## How Auditions Work

Our auditions are not done in a traditional manner. ***We are willing to offer a team position to any student that shows zeal and commitment to learning all aspects of our program (dancing, acting & spinning) along with committing to our rehearsal and performance schedule.*** Every team member has a purpose within our shows. When one member is missing because they don't know their part due to poor attendance, it throws off the balance and the whole team (including the band) suffers. Students, you will only be able to learn and progress in skills if you attend all rehearsals.

## Who can join the Color Guard?

All students in the Oak Harbor School District, including those that are homeschooled, that will be in grades 9-12 in the fall of 2024 are invited to join.

## Experience needed?

No experience needed. We have instructors and current members to help you learn what you need to know.

## Are there any fees to join?

- There are no fees for Color Guard or Winter Guard
- You'll need to purchase personal items: performance shoes, guard gloves and a team t-shirt. Approximate cost: \$80+/-

## What are the rehearsal/training requirements if I am accepted into Color Guard?

### Summer Training (3 weeks in August)

- Color Guard Camp: August 5-9, 8am-3pm at the high school. Includes in depth dance, flag, rifle & other training.
- Band Camp: August 12-16 & 19-23, 8am-3pm at the high school. Additional guard training along with marching and drill training with the band.

### When School is in Session (all are required)

- Color Guard rehearsals: Monday, Wednesday & Friday, 2:45-4:00pm. Days/times may change, pending on approval for the season.
- Show Band Rehearsals: Tuesdays & Thursdays, 3:00pm-5:00pm. Days/times may change pending on approval for the season.



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## I'm want to give it a try, what do I do next?

Come to our Audition Info Meeting which is held right before we start the first day of audition camp: May 14th at 5:30pm in the band room. Parents/Guardians are suggested to come with their student(s) to meet the instructors, current team members, learn more about the program, how auditions work and ask any questions. If parents/guardians can't make it to the meeting or have additional questions, send the instructor an email at [guard@ohhsbandboosters.com](mailto:guard@ohhsbandboosters.com)

No matter what, fill out the Audition Agreement, OHHS Progress Report (which is filled out by your current teachers) & then come to audition camp. The Audition Agreement must be signed by you and your parent/legal guardian. You may also choose to submit the online form on our website. Either way, it must be received before or on the first day of Audition Camp. You will NOT be allowed to participate if the Audition Agreement & OHHS Progress Report is not received.

## When is Auditions Camp & Auditions?

- Tuesday (14th): 6pm - 8pm in the band room (D220)
- Wednesday (15th): 5:30 pm- 8pm in the field house
- Thursday (16th): 5:30pm - 8pm in the field house
- Friday (17th -Audition Day): 5:30pm - 8pm in the band room (D220)

Wear work out clothing and shoes (no hoodies or jeans). Bring knee pads and a water bottle. If you have long hair, you must tie it up so that you keep it off of your face. We need to see you and you need to see us - no hats or beanies.

You will learn different skills along with a short audition routine. We provide all the equipment needed. It is important that you show up willing, eager, and open to every aspect of the audition process. It is highly likely that we will ask you to do some things that we know you have never done before. We recognize that you will likely be stronger in some areas more than others. And that's okay. Just come ready to learn, give it a try and have fun.

Students decide if they want to officially audition on Audition Day (last day). Everyone will know whether they have been offered a position on the team at the end of the day.

## What happens next if I am offered a position on the Color Guard?

1. Students have until May 21st to officially accept their position on the team. As stated in the info packet, we want students to be fully committed to our program and our schedule, so we leave the final decision up to them. Directions and info on how to accept the position will be given on the last day of camp.
2. Once you accept your position, the first 2024 Color Guard meeting will take place. This a parent & student meeting that will be held in-person on Tuesday, May 28th at 6:00pm in the band room. This meeting will outline the Fall season. You will meet additional staff along with meeting other members, getting schedules, filling out required paperwork and more. *Most important, measurements for your uniform will be taken. This is a REQUIRED meeting.*



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## OHHS Color Guard Audition Agreement - PAGE 1

***This form (front & back) plus the OHHS Progress Report Form must be completed and returned on or before the first day of Audition Camp. This form is also available to be submitted online.***

Student's First & Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Pronouns: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address (OHSD Preferred): \_\_\_\_\_

Current Grade: \_\_\_\_\_ Current School: \_\_\_\_\_

Interested in staying for Winter Guard? Circle one:      YES      NO      MAYBE

*Note: You are **NOT** obligated to stay/audition for Winter Guard if you choose 'yes'. If you do choose to stay, this form will count as your audition agreement at that time. You will not need to fill out another one. The main difference is that the fall season competes with the band and the winter season competes on their own. **NOTE: Winter Guard is an award-winning competitive team dedicated to increasing skill and performance levels.** Both seasons are challenging and rewarding in their own way.*

Parent/Legal Guardian's First & Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian's Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

The following information will be taken into account while selecting members to be in OHHS Color Guard.

- Be in good standing with grades and attendance (form must be filled out and completed)
- Be at every audition camp day
- Be respectful to those in authority
- Actively participate at all times (no sitting unless on break or given permission by instructors)
- Cell phones will be placed in backpack, until the end of camp. They may be accessed during extended breaks. Let the instructor(s) know before camp begins, in private, about possible emergencies that may cause you to check your phone more often than at breaks.
- Have a positive attitude.
- Don't give up, keep trying until you get it.

This activity involves continuous movement throughout the whole body. Although a sports physical is NOT required, if there are any health concerns, medications needed or allergies, please list that info here so we can assist correctly and as needed.

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## OHHS Color Guard Audition Agreement - PAGE 2

### Audition Camp Dates:

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### What to Bring:

- Audition Agreement
- OHHS Progress Report Form
- Work out clothing (no hoodies and no jeans) & gym shoes
- water bottle
- knee pads
- hair ties, if needed (no hair allowed on your face - no hats or beanies)

**Student:** I agree to abide by the conditions as stated in this agreement. I understand that if I do not get offered a position on the team, an explanation may not be given, nor will one be expected. I also understand that if I cannot abide by the above agreement, I will not be offered a position.

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent/Legal Guardian:** I give the student listed above permission to participate in Audition Camp for the OHHS Color Guard. I have read and understand all the requirements and if my student is offered and accepts their position onto the team, we agree to abide by them.

Parent/Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_



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Extra Curricular

## OAK HARBOR HIGH SCHOOL PROGRESS REPORT

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Please complete the rating sheet by circling the appropriate number and grade and making comments on the academic performance, effort, attitude and attendance for the student named above.

Period 1		Poor				Excellent	Comments:
Subject:	Academic Performance	1	2	3	4	5	
	Effort	1	2	3	4	5	
	Attitude	1	2	3	4	5	
	Attendance	1	2	3	4	5	
	Estimated Grade	F	D	C	B	A	Teacher:
Period 2		Poor				Excellent	Comments:
Subject:	Academic Performance	1	2	3	4	5	
	Effort	1	2	3	4	5	
	Attitude	1	2	3	4	5	
	Attendance	1	2	3	4	5	
	Estimated Grade	F	D	C	B	A	Teacher:
Period 3		Poor				Excellent	Comments:
Subject:	Academic Performance	1	2	3	4	5	
	Effort	1	2	3	4	5	
	Attitude	1	2	3	4	5	
	Attendance	1	2	3	4	5	
	Estimated Grade	F	D	C	B	A	Teacher:
Period 4		Poor				Excellent	Comments:
Subject:	Academic Performance	1	2	3	4	5	
	Effort	1	2	3	4	5	
	Attitude	1	2	3	4	5	
	Attendance	1	2	3	4	5	
	Estimated Grade	F	D	C	B	A	Teacher:
Period 5		Poor				Excellent	Comments:
Subject:	Academic Performance	1	2	3	4	5	
	Effort	1	2	3	4	5	
	Attitude	1	2	3	4	5	
	Attendance	1	2	3	4	5	
	Estimated Grade	F	D	C	B	A	Teacher:
Period 6		Poor				Excellent	Comments:
Subject:	Academic Performance	1	2	3	4	5	
	Effort	1	2	3	4	5	
	Attitude	1	2	3	4	5	
	Attendance	1	2	3	4	5	
	Estimated Grade	F	D	C	B	A	Teacher:
Period 0/7		Poor				Excellent	Comments:
Subject:	Academic Performance	1	2	3	4	5	
	Effort	1	2	3	4	5	
	Attitude	1	2	3	4	5	
	Attendance	1	2	3	4	5	
	Estimated Grade	F	D	C	B	A	Teacher:

Thank you for your assistance

Approved By: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_