

# MAC PRIDE 2020 Winterguard

## Handbook & Contract

Welcome to the MAC PRIDE Winterguard! We're excited you'll be joining this elite group and bringing your skills and energy to making this Mac's best year!

Your participation is appreciated! But it also comes with a set of expectations that we'll detail here. We stand by our commitment to you and expect the same in return:

- Bring your best effort, every time.
- Be prepared.
- Pay attention.
- Show up for your teammates.
- Represent MAC with PRIDE.

### Health and Safety

We provide physical training to ensure each student receives the necessary conditioning and dance training they will need to participate successfully. Outside of practice and performance, the responsibility of self-care and health rests with the student and parents. Make sure to take care of your health and stay on top of the physical conditioning program to avoid injuries.

***Parents, please note that winterguard involves manipulating pieces of equipment. The process of learning these skills requires a great deal of effort and, at times, bumps and bruises. We appreciate your support as your student works through these minor injuries.***

### Costumes and Equipment

Costumes and equipment will be provided to you. However, students will need to bring/maintain their equipment and costume once it is assigned.

In addition, students are responsible for these personal items:

- 1 roll of white and 1 roll of black 3M 1" electrical tape
- Appropriate black practice attire - stretch pants and t-shirt are fine
- Recommended: knee pads
- Band-aids, K-tape and any other health/safety needs
- Appropriate undergarments for costumes - may include items such as clear/nude bra- straps, tights, etc.
- Hairspray, hairbrush, bobby pins, etc. Students are asked to keep natural hair colors during the winterguard performance season (Feb-Mar).
- Make-up items such as base/foundation, blush, eyeliner, lipstick. Specific make-up colors and items will be assigned with the costumes.

## Leadership and Student “Jobs”

MAC Winterguard does not assign captains or sergeants. Instead, we rely on the team to hold each other accountable for the various needs of the team. Each student will be assigned a “job” that they will be responsible for at every practice and performance. 1st year students will be teamed up with a buddy “Vet” so everyone has a partner they can rely on.

## Fees

The fee to perform with the 2020 MHS Winter Guard is \$150. Total cost to create this year’s show is estimated at \$10,000. It is imperative that all students are willing to pay or fundraise their share of the total cost. If fundraisers are available, scholarships will NOT be available. All performers are expected to participate in all fundraisers in order to offset the discrepancies between the total cost of the show and the minimal amount that we charge the performers. Parental assistance in fundraising is greatly desired. The talents of our parents far outweigh our own abilities.

## Practice Schedule and Performances

Winterguard is a team sport, but more than that it is an ENSEMBLE CAST. That means the whole production doesn’t work unless everyone is there making it happen. We can’t pull from the bench and we can’t call in subs. Your teammates depend on your presence. Your attendance is mandatory at all practices and performances.

Attached is the Winter Guard Season Calendar. Look ahead at the calendar and determine if you have any pre-scheduled sports or family conflicts. Return your conflict sheet to Coach Charlotte and a determination will be made if your conflicts will preclude you from participating. **We understand many of you participate in multiple activities at MAC and we support that! However, every effort must be made to attend every practice. Under no circumstances will conflicts with performances or competitions be approved.**

## Performances

Winterguard performances are a beautiful spectacle. We encourage all parents and friends to join us at these special events. In addition, the winterguard production has a large “set” that includes a full vinyl floor and props and we RELY on parents to help the group get on and off their performance space in their required time-limit. We appreciate you attending practices and performances to get the hang of helping your team.

Parents are ALWAYS WELCOME. That said, when the winterguard is in costume and going through their required warm-up and performance, it is crucial that they stay focused on Coach Charlotte and on their performance. Please respect their space during this time.

# MAC PRIDE Winterguard 2020 Contract

This contract must be signed by both the performer and the parent. By signing this contract the performer and parent is agreeing that they will, barring any unforeseen hardships, make their best effort to follow the rules of the MHS Winter Guard as stated in the handbook, pay or fundraise the \$150 fee for this activity, be a good representative of MHS, and complete the 2020 season.

The performer and parent understands that it takes the support of all persons involved; including the parents, staff, coach, and director, to assist young people in developing good characteristics of punctualness, dedication, sacrifice, loyalty, and hard work. The staff, coach, and director are committed to doing all in their power to create a safe and positive environment for everyone involved. The student will always be more important than the activity.

Please sign this contract and return it to Mr. Barton no later than December 14th. Failure to do so will place the performer in the position of an alternate until such time that they are needed in performance.

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Student Name

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Student Signature

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Date

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Parent Signature

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Date

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Parent Email

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Text number?

## MAC PRIDE Winterguard 2020 Conflict Sheet

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Please review the attached calendar and determine if you have any pre-scheduled sports or family conflicts. Return this sheet to Coach Charlotte by **Saturday, December 14th**. Coach will determine if your conflicts preclude you from participating in the Winterguard.

Do any of your conflicts interfere with a performance or competition date? \_\_\_\_\_

Conflict Activity	Date	Times

**Parents are required to contact either Coach Charlotte or Director Barton if a student will be absent from rehearsal due to illness or other unforeseen conflicts. We will contact parents if performers are unknowingly absent from rehearsal. We ask that parents draw the hard line and support us in our efforts to develop responsible young adults.**

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
1	Experience Week 4-5:30					Practice 9-4	7
8	Practice 6-9			Practice 6-9		Practice 9-4	
15	Practice 6-9			Practice 6-9		Practice 9-4	
22					Practice 9-4	Practice 9-4	
29					Practice 9-4	Practice 9-4	

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
29	30	31	1	2	3	4
					Practice 9-4	Practice 9-4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
	Practice 6-9			Practice 6-9		Practice 9-2
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
	Practice 6-9			Practice 6-9		Practice 9-2
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
	Practice 6-9			Practice 6-9		Practice 9-2
26	27	28	29	30	31	1
	Practice 6-9			Practice 6-9	Parent Premier	Practice 9-2
						Premier SHOW

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
26	27 Practice 6-9	28	29	30 Practice 6-9	31 Parent Premier	1 Premier SHOW
2	3 Practice 6-9	4	5	6 Practice 6-9	7	8 Practice 9-2
9	10 Practice 6-9	11	12	13 Practice 6-9	14	15 Practice 9-2
16	17 Practice 9-4	18	19	20 Practice 6-9	21	22 St Helens
23	24 Practice 6-9	25	26	27 Practice 6-9	28	29 Practice 9-2

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 Practice 6-9	3	4	5 Practice 6-9	6	7 WGI REGIONAL
8	9 Practice 6-9	10	11	12 Practice 6-9	13	14 Practice 9-2
15	16 Practice 6-9	17	18	19 Practice 6-9	20	21 Liberty SHOW
22	23 Practice 6-9	24	25	26 Practice 6-9	27	28 CHAMPIONSHIP
29	30	31	1	2	3	4