

# Attendance Policy

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Yes. Attendance at all rehearsals and performances is expected.

We believe students who elect to participate in instrumental music are electing to be at all rehearsals and performances. By enrolling in this group, you are stating that you want to be a performing musician and will be at all rehearsals and performances.

Illness, family emergency, & conflict with another school activity are unavoidable. We ask that you communicate those with us as soon as you become aware of them.

Unexcused or unannounced absences are not a characteristic of students in this program and will result in a reduction of a student's professionalism grade, and may result in sitting out the next performance.

## Transportation Policy

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1. All Students must ride school transportation to and from all activities. The only exception will be a signed letter, or e-mail, from your parent or guardian given to one of the directors **by Noon the day prior to departure**. Please have your parents make visual contact with the directors before leaving the event.

High school band directors do not have the authority to allow students to drive themselves to and from activities or ride with other students to and from activities.

Students will be allowed to ride to and from activities with other parents only at the written discretion of the student's parents or guardians delivered to one of the directors **by Noon the day prior to departure**. Please have the adult who is assuming the responsibility make visual contact with a director before leaving the event.

2. Students will sign up for or be assigned to a bus before leaving on any trip. Directors and chaperones will use this list for taking attendance every time the band changes locations. Students will be expected to ride the same bus for the duration of each trip.
3. **Parents for every student traveling with the band must fill out a Contact Info & Permission form.** The form is linked on the band webpage on [jhawkbands.urbandaleschools.com](http://jhawkbands.urbandaleschools.com) in the "Handbook" section.