

Care And Handling Of Band Uniforms.

Please read the following to ensure your uniform stays in top condition, makes you look good, and lasts for years to come!

- 1) **Do not** wash the uniform garment. Professional dry clean only and often to remove moisture, perspiration, and dirt!
- 2) **Do not** hand clean in any manner. Professional dry clean only!
- 3) **Do not** tumble dry or heat in any manner such as blow drying, hot stoves/radiators, etc.
- 4) **Always hang properly** and allow to air dry at ambient temperatures. Pressing and dry cleaning is allowed after completely dried.
- 5) **Do not** use cleaning chemicals on any part of your uniform.
- 6) **Do not wear the uniform over jeans, coats, or other outer garments**, either on the bus or for performances. Wear sweat clothes or other soft undergarments under your uniform.
- 7) **Use rainwear** whenever bad weather is occurring.
- 8) **Always** have stains and any repairs done immediately.
- 9) **Inspect** your uniform often-after every use would be best.
- 10) Do not carry other items in uniform bags with the uniform. A lot of damage can be caused by other things coming in contact with the uniform.

Care And Handling Of Shakos(hats/plumes)

- 1) **Brush lightly** to remove loose dirt and grime.
- 2) **Always** use shako bags/boxes to carry or store.
- 3) **You can gently wash** with luke-warm water, wash cloth, and mild soap solution.
- 4) **Let air dry**, especially the head band from perspiration.
- 5) **Never** wear plumes in the rain.

Care And Handling Of Shoes(patent finish)

- 1) **Clean** with all-purpose glass cleaner(windex, etc.).
- 2) **Shine** to a high gloss with spray furniture polish or spray silicone and buff thoroughly.
- 3) **Store shoes** in shoe carrier or separate bag away from uniform and other clothes/belongings.