

How to Manage Sports and Band

- 1) We are proud that you can be in both sports and our program. We encourage you to work hard in both and we like it that you are well-rounded. This is, however, going to cause you to have to exercise a strong level of time management, discipline, and maturity. This is good for you!
- 2) We will work with you on your schedule, but as a general rule you may not miss any performances. We will work with you if you need to leave early or arrive late to a certain number of our rehearsals, etc.
- 3) Our idea of compromise is that both activities give a little bit in order for the student to be successful. Compromise is NOT always coming late to band after staying for the full athletic practice (i.e. Leave early from football, and come a bit late to band).
- 4) We expect the student to talk over the arrangement with their coach first, and bring it to the band director second. If we need to talk directly with the coach, the student will provide us with the coach's phone number or proper email address. The initial conversation, however, should come from the student.
- 5) We expect to know IN ADVANCE of students arriving late or leaving early for sports. This should all be pre-arranged; not on the day-of.
- 6) Students on the same athletic team/level are expected to work together with their coach on an acceptable arrangement. All students on that team should come and go together (i.e. If you are arranged to arrive 15 minutes late to band, you BOTH arrive together).