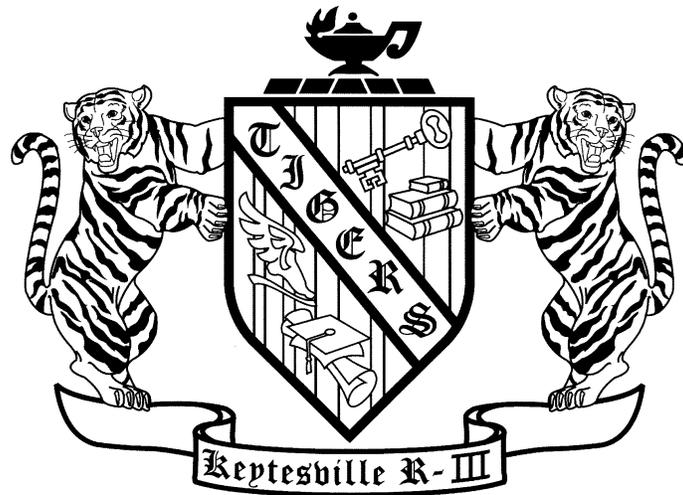


# **KEYTESVILLE TIGER PRIDE BAND HANDBOOK 2016-2017**



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**Director:**

**Mr. Michael Mountain**

Welcome!

Can you believe that it is time to start another exciting year in the Keytesville Music Program! This year you will notice that we have added some parades to the schedule. I am hoping that by doing so your students will get to have more varied and exciting experiences.

This year I challenge you parents who are able, to come and support the band by joining and volunteering with the Band Booster as well as coming to competitions and festivals with us to enjoy music alongside the students and to help make their experiences more favorable.

Please feel free to always contact me with any questions; I am so excited to start another year with our program and to build the band up to it's full potential!

With Pleasure,

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## **FORWARD**

The Keytesville Music Program attempts to create a balanced curriculum between all facets of musical performance and knowledge while giving members opportunities to participate in multiple honors groups. All members will participate in school ensembles such as Choir, Marching Band, Concert Band and Pep Band. Other extra activities such as honor bands as well as solos and ensemble contest are optional but are open to all music program students.

As we are all part of a group, each individual has a responsibility to the program. Each member is to be on time to all rehearsals and performances, to have all the materials necessary and being responsible for all music needed for performances. Not only do you have a musical responsibility to the group but you also have a civic responsibility. As a member of the Keytesville Tiger Pride program you are to act with good character and judgment, you are the face of the program.

I look forward to working with all of you and building a program that you can be proud of! Here is to a great year with the Keytesville Tiger Pride!!

## CLASSROOM

EXPECTATIONS- Absolutely NO food or gum in the music room, water is permitted.

When you come in the room, you have 4 minutes to get your instrument and music out and be ready to play at downbeat.

All instruments should have a nametag with the student's name.

Take care of all equipment in the classroom.

All equipment should be put away after each rehearsal.

HAVE FUN and MAKE MUSIC!

ATTENDANCE - All members are required to attend all scheduled rehearsals and performances. Any member that cannot attend a previously scheduled event must let the director know at least two weeks in advance. Rehearsals will need to be made up with the Director through private lessons before or after school, or written assignments.

Any student missing rehearsal on the day before or of a contest or competition without informing the director ahead of time will not be allowed to participate in the contest and will be required to complete an alternate assignment to make up the grade points.

ATTITUDE - All members should develop and maintain an attitude that is positive and one of cooperation with the Director and others. Respect is required at all times for the equipment in our room, as well as every person in the group.

ABILITY - Each member of the group is expected to strive to achieve the highest ability level they are capable of. Members should constantly work to improve themselves and the group.

BEHAVIOR - All members of the Keytesville Music Program are expected to conduct themselves in a manner that is befitting of young adults. You are the face of the music program, rude and disrespectful behavior will not be tolerated. Students will also be expected to keep a respectable personal appearance when attending functions as a group.

Starting this school year (2016-17) is a morality clause. If any student shows patterned behavior of major rule breaking (drugs, fighting, smoking, harassment, etc) then he or shee will be removed from all performing aspects of the group as a whole and will be required to participate in a separate curriculum of music theory.

UNIFORMS- The school district will provide uniforms for all band members, and each student will be responsible for this uniform and its upkeep. Other uniform accessories will be necessary and explained in further detail at a later date.

These are a few basic guidelines you must follow to be a successful member of the Keytesville Music Program. All school policies are in effect at all times, and more guidelines for specific situations will be outlined in the manual.

ELEGIBILITY - Students are expected to meet both the state and local eligibility requirements. If a student becomes ineligible, they will still be expected to participate in classroom activities and will also participate in local concerts. (Christmas, Spring and Commencement)

They will not be able to travel or participate with the band in Competitions, District or State Music Festival , Pep Bands, Honor Bands or any outside school performance.

Keytesville R-III Band absenteeism limit will be 95% of daily attendance and participation calculated at three week intervals starting on the first day of school. (Attending band camp will give student three buffer days)

Section VII.8.b-c in the Keytesville student handbook reads:

b. Academic Standards - No student will participate in any extra-curricular or interscholastic activity if he or she has any D's, F's or NC unless the total grade average is a C- or better. Any student receiving two or more F's will not be allowed to participate no matter what the grade average. This suspension from activities shall last until the next grading period, at which time the grades for that period will be used to establish eligibility. The grading period will be midterm reports. (Midterm, Quarter, Midterm Semester)

c. Absenteeism Limit - Each extra-curricular activity sponsor shall be responsible for establishing minimum standards in this area. These standards will be reported to the office

KHS BAND CHAIN OF COMMAND – Band Director  
Drum Major  
Section Leaders

DRUM MAJOR - The drum major will be selected by the band director in the spring of each school year. Each member of the band will have the opportunity to voice their opinions anonymously after tryouts take place, a comment sheet will be provided for you.

The Drum Major will be selected on the ability to assume responsibility, command the respect and cooperation of the group and overall marching and leadership abilities.

UNIFORM - Each member of the band will be issued a uniform. Our uniforms are costly and each member of the band is responsible for the upkeep of their own uniforms. Any damage done to the uniform will be charged to the student. (This will be determined by the director and Principal) Each band member will be responsible for their own black shoes, black socks and white gloves. Prices and order forms will be given out at the beginning of band camp.

MUSIC - Each student will be responsible for each piece of music that is passed out to them. Every student will be assigned a number at the beginning of the year. When the students return music at the end of the year missing parts will be assessed. Remember to only mark in the music with pencil, before turning in parts we will erase all of our music.

SUPPLIES - Any supplies that a student need to purchase from the director needs to happen before class. Students will be aware of the cost of supplies and should be ready to pay for them when needed. Any large items needed such as mutes or boxes of reeds may be purchased through the school.

GRADING - Grades will be based on a combination of individual assessments, attendance at all rehearsals, as well as performances and over-all classroom participation, conduct and attitude.

Performance will be weighted and an unexcused absence will result in a loss of one letter grade. Director must be informed at least two weeks ahead of time if a student will not be able to attend a performance. All points can be made up for an absence if the director is notified in advance and arrangements have been made.

Excessive tardiness will result in point deduction.

Band is an elective class and each student is expected to be a driving force in the performance and the overall improvement of the band.

Point values for grading are listed below

Concerts = 200 Points each

Contests = 200 Points each

Participation = 25 Points per week

Tests = 100 Points each

\*Other points may be added at the discretion of the director.

TRAVEL GUIDELINES – Travel guidelines are the same for every trip in which they are applicable for.

1. Student will follow all instructions given by the director, drum major or other chaperone.
2. No loud behavior or rudeness.
3. No screaming on the bus.
4. No iPods or any other music playing device without the use of headphones.
5. Each student is expected to be responsible for loading and unloading their own equipment.
6. The dress code is strict and will be followed, travel dress code and “uniform” dress code are not the same thing, we wear all of our uniform or none of our uniform.
7. All the students will ride the bus with the group to each function. If there are extenuating circumstances and student must ride to a function with their parents (and only with THEIR parents) the student must contact to director well in advance.
8. Students can ride home with their parents from a function, but only with THEIR parents. The student will be released after the director has had the parents sign the student out.
9. Each student will be expected to stay for the ENTIRE function. We go to a function as a group and we stay as a group. If there is a rare case in which a student must leave early the director must have parental contact well in advance.

\*While traveling with the Keytesville High School Band you are an extension of the Keytesville School District. Disrespect will NOT be tolerated, and disciplinary actions will be taken in accordance with the Keytesville R-III School District Student Handbook. \*  
CONCERT BAND –

1. All students enrolled in band will participate in Concert Band.
2. The Concert Band meets only during the regularly scheduled school period.
3. Each section will be subject to sectionals at the discretion of the director, and each member will be expected to attend scheduled sectionals. Schedules for the sectionals will be determined by the director and the section and will be scheduled at the greatest convenience for the majority of the section.
4. The band will present a Christmas and Spring concert.
5. There will also be performances scheduled at the CMU Music Festival, CLAA Music Festival, possible district performance and also the Keytesville High School commencement ceremony.
6. Rules dealing with absences are the same as any other group functions.
7. Uniform for concert season will determined at a later date by the director.

## MARCHING BAND –

1. All students enrolled in band will participate in marching band.
2. A band camp will be held before school starts and music will be distributed at that time.
3. Night rehearsals may be scheduled at the discretion of the director and students will be expected to attend.
4. If a student is going to be absent or late to a rehearsal or a performance, you must let the director know well in advance. If an emergency situation arises and does not allow for prior notification, the student is expected to get a hold of the director as soon as possible or after the tardy or absence.
5. All rehearsals and performances are required. This includes any sectionals that are called.
6. We wear ALL of our uniform or NONE of our uniform. This includes hats, gloves, etc..
7. NO jewelry or excessive make up is to be worn with the uniform. This policy is strict and will be enforced.
8. If your hair is long and hangs down on the back of the uniform, it must be tucked in under your hat. This goes for ladies and gentlemen.
9. Care and maintenance of all equipment, school or personal, is the responsibility of the student. Any damage assessed by the director will be charged to the student at the discretion of the director and the principal.

## MARCHING BAND EQUIPMENT-

1. You will need a horn in good working condition and all accessories for that instrument.
2. You will need a pencil at every music rehearsal.
3. You will need a black T-Shirt to wear under your band uniform, this may be a band T-shirt if they are ordered or another T-shirt that is ALL black.
4. You may want to bring an old pair of tennis shoes to keep at school for marching rehearsals, flip flops are NOT acceptable marching shoes.

## **HONOR GROUPS**

**More honor groups will be added throughout the year.**

**NEMO DISTRICT BANDS-** Auditions are held in Moberly usually in the beginning of November. Students audition to get placed in one of two bands, the NEMO All-District Band or the NEMO Honorable Mention Band. Audition music is predetermined and will be available to students during the first couple weeks of the Fall semester from the director. Any students who make the band will be responsible for the rehearsal and the performance of the band that they make.

**MISSOURI ALL-STATE BAND** – Any student selected into the NEMO All-District Band is eligible to audition for the All-State Band. Auditions are held at Hickman High School in Columbia the first Saturday of December. The audition music are sets that are an extension of the All-District music. If selected to the All-State Band the student will rehearse and perform with the band at the Missouri Music Educators Association Convention in January at Tan-Tar-A.

**DISTRICT SOLO AND ENSEMBLE** – Any student wanting to participate in a solo or ensemble can work with the director to prepare for district competition. District competition takes place in March and if a solo or ensemble receives a 1 rating at the District level they are then eligible to take their solo or ensemble to State Music Festival in April.

**NEMO JR. HIGH DISTRICT HONOR BAND** – Students will be nominated by the band director. After students are picked through the district, they will have the opportunity to audition to be in one of the two Junior High Honor Bands. Auditions and rehearsal will be held on one Saturday and more rehearsal and performance will be done on a separate day. These dates will be in January and February.

**FFA NATIONAL BAND** – Students should check with Mrs. Briscoe. You will have the opportunity to audition and I will help the recording of the audition.

**MACY'S GREAT AMERICAN MARCHING BAND** – Students will have the opportunity to audition for the Macy's Great American Marching Band. This band will rehearse and march in the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade. Financial obligations will be the responsibility of the student.

**LION'S ALL-STATE BAND** – Students will be eligible to participate in the Lion's All State Band. This will take place during the summer, typically over the 4<sup>th</sup> of July holiday.

# Keytesville Marching Tiger Calendar

## 2015-2016

Saturday September 10.....	Sterling Price Days TBA Keytesville, MO
Saturday September 24.....	Carrollton Band Day All Day Carrollton, MO
Saturday October 1.....	Brunswick Pecan Fest TBA Brunswick, MO
Saturday October 8.....	CMU Band Day All Day Fayette, MO
Saturday October 15.....	Southern Boone County Marching Festival All Day Ashland, MO
Saturday October 22.....	Mizzou Homecoming Parade All Day Columbia, MO
Saturday October 29.....	Central Methodist University Homecoming All Day Fayette, MO

## Concerts

December 3.....	Winter Concert
April 29.....	Spring Concert

**\*\*Note:** All dates and times are subject to change. Advanced notice will be given in the event of a schedule change. Please check to website as well as e-mails. \*\*

## Basketball Pep Band Dates

November 21.....	Bucklin/Macon Co. 6:00 PM
December 13.....	Hardin-Central 6:00 PM
December 16.....	Hale 6:00 PM
January 3.....	Northwestern 6:00 PM
January 6.....	Higbee 6:00 PM
January 19.....	Norborne 6:00 PM
January 20.....	Linn Co. 6:00 PM
February 14.....	Atlanta (Senior Night) 6:00 PM

**PLEASE tear off, sign, and return final 3 sheets.**

**Order Form**

For our marching band uniform students are responsible for purchasing black marching shoes and gloves through the school. If your child purchased shoes last year, or has them from a previous year there is no need to purchase them for this year. Gloves should be purchased every year, they tend to turn yellow after the first year of use.

Below is the order form, please have the order forms turned into me by the first day of school, everything needs to be ordered by that point in order to have them for our first marching competition. Please **DO NOT** pay when you turn in the order forms, you will pay Kenna at the office when the orders come in.

***Signing below is an obligation to purchase what you have ordered.***

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**Black Speedster Marching Band Shoes** – Shoes will cost \$25.95

Quantity \_\_\_\_\_

Size (Please specify between men and women sizes) \_\_\_\_\_

**White Gloves** – Saxophone, trumpet, trombone and tuba players should order gloves with fingers. Flutes and clarinets should order fingerless gloves. Percussionists do not need gloves. Gloves tend to run big; I would order a size smaller than you think you need.

Quantity \_\_\_\_\_

Size \_\_\_\_\_

(Please check one)

Fingerless \_\_\_\_\_ or Finger \_\_\_\_\_

**T-Shirts** – One T-shirt for each student will be purchased through the Band Boosters. Each student is required to have a t-shirt to wear under his or her band uniform. If you would like to purchase one for yourself, or other family members, please indicate so at the bottom of the form and include sizes as well.

Quantity \_\_\_\_\_

Size \_\_\_\_\_

Additional T-Shirts

Quantity \_\_\_\_\_

Sizes \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

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

## ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND INFORMATION SHEET

By signing this form the parent and student acknowledge that they have thoroughly read and understand this handbook.

“I have read and understand the rules and guidelines laid out in this handbook and agree to follow each one.”

Parent signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Student signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

By filling out this information sheet you are giving the director essential information if there was to be an emergency on a trip.

STUDENT NAME \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

PARENT'S NAME \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

EMERGENCY CONTACT \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

ANY MEDICAL CONDITION OR ALLEGERGIES

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

MEDICAL INSURANCE COMPANY AND POLICY NUMBER

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Dear Parent,

Keytesville Schools require parental permission for students to travel on school sponsored trips. Since the band makes many different trips we are using one permission slip to cover and marching or concert band trips, as well as any honor groups that and student is selected to. Please read the next few paragraphs carefully and please sign in the appropriate place.

I \_\_\_\_\_ hereby give my consent for my

student \_\_\_\_\_ to represent his/her school in all music related activities. I also give my consent for him/her to accompany the band on trips and will not hold the school responsible in case of accident or injury whether it be enroute to or from another school or during practice or an interscholastic event, and I hereby agree to hold the school district of which this school is a part, its employees, agents, representatives, coaches and harmless from any and all liability, actions, causes of action, debts, claims or demands, of every kind and nature whatsoever which may arise by or in connection with participation by my child in any activities related to the interscholastic program of his/her school.

If I cannot be reached and in the event of an emergency, I also give consent for the school to obtain through a physician or hospital of its choice, such as medical care as is reasonably necessary for the welfare of the student, if he/she is injured in the course of school band activities.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent Signature

Date \_\_\_\_\_

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Parent name (printed)