

Marching Knights Excuse Request

The “Commitment to Excellence” contract states:

Our group achievement is dependent on the contribution of each individual in performance as well as rehearsal. *A conscious decision has already been made to keep required rehearsal and performance times to a minimum.* Members have the opportunity to enjoy participation an ensemble that maintains a tradition of excellence with a fraction of time commitment required by similar ensembles. With this in mind, you owe it to the group to be *present* and *punctual* for every rehearsal and performance. As a member, you have an obligation to the group, so please plan your schedules accordingly and ***be conscious to maintain your academic eligibility.*** If a major life event warrants excuse, the “Marching Knights Excuse Request” form must be submitted as far in advance as practically possible. Consequences for unexcused absence or tardy may include: being *sidelined* for performance(s), reassignment of parts, loss of roles, loss of position or privilege, and grade reduction or even *dismissal* from the ensemble among other things. Attendance infractions during camp will *forfeit the free admission* for the August amusement park reward trip (that is normally covered by the band). Remember that, group excellence is heavily dependent on the most fundamental elements of personal character. It all boils down to dependability and responsibility. ***Attendance is at the core of your commitment and should be heavily reflected on before any student or parent signs the membership agreement.***

Member name _____

Date submitted _____ Years in Marching Band _____

Date missed/to be missed _____

Event missed/to be missed (circle)

Rehearsal

Competition

Parade

Other _____

Reason for Absence or Tardiness (circle)

Court Appearance

Wedding

Serious Illness

Death in family

NRCA Activity

Other

Please explain _____

-----**Director Use Only Below**-----

_____ Approved _____ Not Approved Date _____

Dir. Initials _____