

SSHS Winter Drumline Information 09-10

Winter Drumline is an extension of the fall percussion program. The activity is competitive and encourages students to perform at an extremely high level. Due to the nature of the activity, we require each student audition for a position in the ensemble. **Once the students have been selected, it is important that every student attend every rehearsal to keep their position and insure that every student has the best experience possible.** The winter drumline competes in CIPA (Carolina Indoor Performance Association) against other schools for points that determine performance position at Championships. Points are given for attendance and placement at competitions. We pick competitions based on location, dates of least conflict and availability of venue to host us.

Tryouts for the 09-10 Winter Drumline will be held on the Thursday, November 5th. Results will be posted after the tryouts are complete and the staff has sufficient time to post results correctly. Results will not be posted the day of the auditions. The tryouts will consist of several aspects such as marching, music performance, technique, attitude and the student’s ability to attend practices and performances. Attendance at practices and performances are essential to the success of the ensemble.

Percussion will generally practice from 2:45 to 5:30 (does not include travel time back to school for practices held away from campus). Exceptions to those rehearsal times will be explained and put on a calendar for the students. Students are responsible for scheduling appointments and work schedules so that they can be at all rehearsals. All percussion students who make winter drumline should sign up for 3rd period percussion class and students who do not make winter drumline should sign up for 4th period band class. We should have several percussion students in 4th period band; we will just play different music. All wind players that make winter drumline should sign up for 4th period band not 3rd period percussion.

Practices:

(Camp for tryouts)-November 2nd through 4th.

Regular Afterschool Practice **(Be aware that practices are not always on Tuesdays and Thursdays but some Mondays and Wednesdays):** 11/10, 11/12, 11/17, 11/19, 11/24, 12/1, 12/3, 12/8, 12/10, Sat. 12/12, 12/15, 12/17, 1/5, 1/7, 1/11, 1/13, 1/19, 1/21, 1/25, 1/28, 2/2, 2/4, 2/8, 2/10, 2/16, 2/18, 2/22 or 23, 2/25, 3/2, 3/4, 3/9, 3/11, 3/16, 3/18, 3/23, 3/25

Prop camps: November 7th and 14th.

Floor Painting: December 5th

Competitions: DB - Jan. 23rd, Volunteer - Feb. 20th, WGI Spartanburg SC - March 6th, Virginia HS - March 13th

The additional charge for winter drumline this year is \$225.00. The fee goes toward the cost of the cost of transportation, music, and other materials needed for the construction of the show. This is similar to what other drumlines in the area are charging and will help defray the cost of winter drumline to the boosters. The two payment dates are \$125.00 on December the 1st and \$100.00 on January 18th. **This is considered an after school program and fees are mandatory.**

Chaperones and chaperone training will be discussed after we have gone through the tryout process.

If this form is not turned in by Wednesday November the 4th the students will not be able to audition.

Please list any other activities that you are involved in, such as: clubs, sports, extracurricular activities.

I have read the information and understand what will be required of my son or daughter.

This form must be returned by Wednesday, Nov. the 9th.

Parent Signature