

POLICIES & PROCEDURES

Attendance Policy

Each member plays an integral role in the color guard program. All other activities and appointments must be scheduled around rehearsal and performance dates and times. Social plans, dental/doctor/optometry appointments, jobs, group project meetings, and other appointments or commitments of this nature cannot interfere with rehearsals or performances.

1. Attendance at every rehearsal and performance is mandatory.

2. Excused Absence Policy

A. An absence is excused if **both** of the following criteria are met:

i. The member's parent or guardian notifies an instructor one week in advance of the absence, or the member's parent or guardian notifies the instructor of a sudden, serious family emergency.

ii. The absence is **not** related to any of the following events or activities: social plans, dental/doctor/optometry appointments, jobs, studying, and other appointments or commitments of this nature.

B. Illness is an excused absence.

i. If you attend school, you must attend rehearsal unless you are contagious or too ill to observe rehearsal.

ii. If you do not attend school, you may not come to practice.

C. Missing school the Friday before a competition, for any reason, may prohibit you from performing in the competition. This will be discussed on a case-by-case basis with the administrative staff.

Performance Policies & Procedures

1. You are never to be in "partial uniform." The uniform is either entirely on, or entirely off.

2. **Uniforms must remain completely on after performances until you are told otherwise.**

3. You are not to run in uniform.

4. You are not to eat in uniform.

5. You must be on your best behavior while at a performance venue. Making negative comments about other performing groups is not permitted.

6. You may not leave the performance venue early unless you have it approved in advance with one of the staff members.

7. You may not go anywhere alone while at a performance venue. You must always be with another guard member.

8. Please remember you are a representative of Big Spring while you are in uniform and proper manners will be shown.

9. There will be absolutely no profanity/inappropriate language/actions.