

The background features a stylized logo of a mustang, a horse with its head turned back, rendered in green and black. The word "LAKEWOOD" is written in green across the top of the horse's head, and "RANCH" is written across its neck. The horse's body is black with green highlights.

**LAKEWOOD RANCH
HIGH SCHOOL
MUSTANG
MARCHING BAND
PACKET
2010-2011**

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April, 2010

Dear Lakewood Ranch "Marching Mustang" Band Member,

Congratulations on your decision to be a member of the LAKEWOOD RANCH MUSTANG MARCHING BAND.

The marching band is one of the largest organizations at Lakewood Ranch High School. With over one hundred members last year, the band attracts some of the most talented and active students in the school. Band members are involved in numerous clubs and service organizations on campus. They have been Class Officers, year Book Editors, National Honor Society members, Miss Lakewood Ranch & Mr. Mustang, Academic Honor Students, members of all our athletic teams from Girls Softball to Boys Baseball, and they hold after school jobs. Last year, band members comprised a majority of the Student Government Association, and of course, many members of the academic top 10% were in band. So when you join the band at Lakewood Ranch you become a member of a very special family that derives its strength from its diverse and active membership.

Read all the information carefully, ask your parents to read it and then go over it with them. Take time now to put the enclosed dates on your summer and fall calendars. Preparation is one of the keys to success, so plan now for next year. Complete the **MANATEE COUNTY SCHOOL HEALTH SERVICES FORM** and **BOOSTER INFORMATION SHEET** and return them (during mini-camp) to the band office at: LAKEWOOD RANCH HIGH SCHOOL BAND, 5500 Lakewood Ranch Blvd., Bradenton, FL 34202 or Band Boosters Post Office Address at: L.R.B.B.A., P. O. Box 110354 Lakewood ranch, Florida 34211.

Being a member of the "Marching Mustangs" offers you the opportunity to continue being a part of some very fine traditions for the years to come. Traditions are important to organizations such as marching band. Our tradition, after twelve years of existence, is one of hard work and great performances all over Manatee County, the State of Florida and second place finish nationally in the Fiesta Bowl National Band Pageant, the Bands of America National Band Championships in Indianapolis, the Main Street Parade at Disneyworld and being a four time state finalist at the FMBC State Championships. Hard work is the secret behind this tradition and it will take a maximum effort from you to maintain superior standards set by those before you. Hard work will enable us to continue to grow into one of the finest high school bands in the state of Florida.

It will be the marching band's goal to support our football team by attending and performing at every Friday night football game. Another goal will be to earn a "superior" rating at the Florida Band Masters District Marching Band Festival and to be a "finalist" at the Florida Marching Band Championships. It will also be our goal to perform throughout the East Bradenton Community whenever possible in order to represent Lakewood Ranch High School and show the community what a fine organization we have.

To that end, please allow me to welcome you to this musical family and charge you to meet the challenges that are before you. With the right attitude and a commitment to try your hardest, you will reach goals you never before dreamed possible. As you grow, our band family will grow.

Should you need to ask any questions concerning the enclosed materials, don't hesitate to call the Lakewood Ranch High School Band Office at **727-6100 extension 2029** and leave a message for the directors or email: Schaerb@manateeschools.net

Musically Yours,

Robert Schaer and Chad Guess
Band Directors
RBS:mac

Lakewood Ranch High School Marching Band Pre-Season Camps

Spring Mini-Camp May 8th

Saturday Mini-camp from 9am to 1pm. Wear light clothing like Shorts, T-shirts & Tennis Shoes. Bring a hat, sunglasses and water bottle.

July Volunteer Mini-camps

Every Tuesday evening starting July 7th from 6pm to 10pm note: Students who are out of town on any Tuesday are asked to call the band office at 727-6100x2029 and leave a message for the directors. July 6, 13, 20, 27

Color Guard Pre-Camp

Monday to Friday	August 2 to 6 th	3pm to 10pm
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Drum Line Pre-Camp

Wednesday to Friday	August 4 to 6 th	3pm to 10pm
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Officers and Section Leaders Meeting

Monday	August 2 nd	6pm TO 10pm
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Librarian & Drum Major Pre-Camp

Tuesday	August 3 rd	noon to 5pm
Wednesday	August 4 th	noon to 5pm
Thursday	August 5 th	noon to 5pm

Basics Camp For All Marching Band Members

Tuesday to Friday	August 3 rd to 6 th	6pm to 10pm
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Wear light clothing like Shorts, T-shirts & Tennis Shoes. Bring a hat, sunglasses and water bottle.

Band Camp For All Marching Band Members

Monday to Friday	August 9 th to 13 th	3pm to 10pm
Friday	August 13 th	March-off 8pm (under the lights) Parents bring lawn chairs, relatives & neighbors

BAND CAMP is a very important time set aside specifically to work on marching and playing fundamentals and to get a head start on our pre-game and competition shows. We start about the same time as the football team. It is very important that all band members be present for band camp. This usually means sacrifice on all our parts in terms of summer jobs, vacations, and school shopping. However, only sacrifice and commitment on all our parts can produce a top-notch marching band. Every attempt has been made to put our camps as close to the start of school as possible.

MUSTANG MARCHING BAND

PERFORMANCE SCHEDULE

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Site</u>	<u>Location</u>
August 27	Kick-Off Classic	TBA	TBA
September 3	Football Game	Home	Braden River
September 10	Football Game	Away	Southeast HS
September 17	Football Game	Home	East Lee HS
September 23	Mini-Camp	Home	LRHS
September 24	Mini-Camp	Home	LRHS
October 1	Football Game	Away	Manatee HS
October 8	Football Game	Homecoming	Port Charlotte HS
October 15	Football Game	Home	Bayshore HS
October 16	FMBC Regional Competition		Tarpon Springs
October 22	Football Game	Away	Charlotte HS
October 23	FBA District Competition		Manatee HS
October 29	Boo Parade	Lakewood Ranch	Main Street
October 30	Possible FMBC Regional Competition		North Port HS
November 5	Football Game	Home-Senior Night	Palmetto HS
November 6	FMBC Home Show	Home	LRHS Stadium
November 11	Parade	Veteran's Day	Behind Hospital
November 12	Football Game	Away	Hardee
November 13	Mini-Camp	(4-9pm)	LRHS
November 19	Mini-Camp – Friday Night (Parent Show)		LRHS
November 20	FMBC Competition	State Championships	Tropicana Bowl-St Pete
December 4	Myakka City Holiday Parade		Myakka City
December 16	Prism Concert	LRHS	LRHS Auditorium
January 15	MLK Parade		Palmetto
April 23	Heritage Night Parade		Bradenton
May 31 st	Memorial Day Parade	Lakewood Ranch	Main Street

Lakewood Ranch High School Mustang Marching Band

General Information and Policy

1. Band Rehearsals – Once school starts, marching band rehearses on Tuesday & Thursday Nights from 6pm to 9pm.

2. Sectional Rehearsals – Guard Sectionals and Drum Line are done on Wednesday after school from 12:45pm till 3:15pm. Woodwind & Brass sectionals are Thursday at 5pm. Music & Marching check-offs will be administered by the band directors during this time. Staff are also available (by appointment) for check-offs on Wednesdays after school.

3. Marching Shoes - Cost of the shoe for new bandsmen is \$35.00 and is a separate cost from marching band fees. Cost of the shoe for color guard is \$TBA. We will order shoes during the week of band camp.

4. Uniforms – You will be fitted during basics camp. Your uniform rental fee (which is already a part of your band fees) includes rental and dry-cleaning of pants, jacket and hat. At band camp you will be given a Marching Ban Shirt, Flip Folder, gloves and a dot book. Students must purchase black socks on their own.

5. Music and Equipment - All instrumentalists will be provided with a packet of stands & pre-game music at the beginning of band camp. Band Members are expected to arrive at the first July rehearsal with a letter size 3-ring notebook with clear plastic page holders, which will hold their competition music. Flip Folders and lyres are provided as part of the uniform fee. Students will need to visit a music store to have their instrument fitted for a lyre attachment brace if there is not one already on your horn. We are recommending that the following instruments try to step up to a new mouthpiece other than the stock mouthpiece that came with the instrument. Clarinets should be on a David Hite Artist JM43, Van Doren B-45. Alto Saxophones should be on Selmer Single "C" Star or Meyer Hard Rubber Medium Bore. Tenor Saxes should be on a Selmer Single "C" Star and for jazz band an Otto Link #6 star metal. Baritone Sax should be on a Selmer Single "C" Star and for jazz band a Meyer Hard Rubber Medium. French Horns will need a Farkas HOH2850. Trumpet players should be on a Bach or Blessing #3C or a Laskey #3 Model 65MC (1 & 1/2 for 2nd & 3rd parts). Trombone and Baritone players should consider Bach or Blessing 6 1/2 AL . Tuba should be on a Dennis Wick 1XL or Perantucci Model PT50.

Moving up to a better mouthpiece will allow you to play in tune with better tone quality and develop your embouchure. Clarinets and Saxophones are expected to have two working reeds at all times. High school players should be playing on medium and medium hard strength reeds by now. Having a quality reed helps to assure a good sound. LaVoz, Mitchell-Lauree and Van Doran reeds are recommended.

7. Attendance Policy - You must attend all practices. You will not be excused from practice for work or a doctor's appointment. Absence due to illness must be documented. Present a note from your parents to the band secretary at the next practice you attend. Students with an unexcused absence will be put on alternate status. Unexcused absences will result in your removal from marching band. This policy is not intended to frighten anyone who has a legitimate absence excuse. Our time is quality time so it is important that all of our members be present, be on time, and stay until the band is dismissed.

You must attend all performances. It is your responsibility to clear all performance dates on your social, personal, family, and work calendars. You will not be excused from a performance unless you are severely ill. An unexcused absence from a performance will result in your dismissal from marching band.

Avoid Conflicts. Be aware of the competition and mini-camp weekends of Sept 23/24, Oct 15/16, Oct 22/23, Oct 29/30, Nov 5/6, Nov 12/13 & Nov 19/20. With more and more frequency, parents are using three-day weekends for out of town vacations. Parents, if you're going to schedule an out of town vacation for any of these weekends, consideration should be given to withdrawing your son/daughter from marching band now. It is very difficult for other students, and many other problems occur when we have to perform in competition with "holes" out on the field. Marching Band is a team effort and the whole team needs to be there. Also be aware that the marching band practice schedule is cut back after FMBC State Championships in November.

Unannounced performances Being apart of a new and ever-growing community, we can expect many

requests for our marching band to perform and represent Lakewood Ranch High School throughout eastern Manatee County. All performances that are given to you now on the "Marching Band Calendar" will be required performances. As requests for our marching band to perform come in, the band staff will evaluate whether we are able to perform based on known conflicts. When an extra performance is pending, students will be asked to identify conflicts with the date. If we confirm that we are able to perform, requests to be excused from that performance will be handled on an individual basis.

8. Demerit system - Students can receive demerits for talking during rehearsal, inappropriate behavior, failure to learn and memorize music and drill, tardiness, or failing inspection. Students must work off their demerits the day they are received by completing a small work detail to assist the band and/or doing pushups on the spot. Demerit assignments are made at the end of each practice. Everyone is expected to cheerfully comply with the work detail as it is usually less than fifteen minutes and provides a necessary service. If you fail to serve your demerit, you will not perform that week and you may be dismissed from marching band. See demerit policy attached.

9. Alternates & 2.0 Eligibility - Alternates will be chosen on the basis of their grade point average and their playing and marching ability. A check-off system will be used to evaluate marching and playing ability. The FHSAA eligibility requirements state that a student must have a cumulative Grade Point Average of 2.0 or above in order to be eligible to participate in extracurricular activities. Marching Band students with less than a Cumulative Grade Point Average of 2.0 will automatically be put on alternate status. This means you can practice with the marching band but cannot perform at games or District Marching Contest until your GPA improves to a 2.0. Alternates must be present at every practice and performance. Alternates are regular members of the marching band. Students chosen as alternates at the beginning of the season will have the opportunity to challenge for a permanent position when they reach a 2.0 GPA or when they have passed their playing and marching tests. The use of this alternate system will allow us to go to competitions without any holes in the show. Alternates will be assigned to "shadow" a position on the field, so they can learn drill. They may challenge the person they are shadowing for the spot weekly. Music check-off will be on Thursday and played for Mr. Schaer or band staff. Marching check-off will be done for band staff. Section leaders will coach their section on music and marching but the check-off will be done in front of the band directors. Students not passing music check-off will not perform and may be put on alternate status until the check-off is successfully completed.

10. Band Managers – provide a vital service to the marching band. They are expected to be present at all practices and performances to assist the band in handling equipment. They are considered regular members of the marching band. They march with the band to and from the stadium and at parades. If any band member has a friend that would like to be apart of the marching band, have them contact one of the band directors. Band managers receive community service hours credit for their service.

11. Fundraising - It costs a lot of money per student to be in a competitive marching band. Each marching bandsman who chose the fundraising plan or wants to earn money back at the end of the season needs to fundraise in order to maintain our marching band budget. Students failing to reach their monthly fundraising goal will be expected to pay the difference between their fundraising profits and the payment due to the Band Boosters on the regular due-date for cash payments. Example: If a student has a \$100 payment but is able to fundraise \$50 that month, he/she will need to pay the \$50 difference.

12. Student Accident Insurance - County policy mandates that each marching bandsman have the minimum \$30.00 policy which is school time coverage only and covers you at all competitions and football games (home and away). This coverage is required by Manatee County Schools even though you are covered on your private policies. If you desire more coverage, you will need to file the insurance form accordingly. Forms will be sent home in August. Return forms to band office. This cost is included in your band fair-share fees so no check is necessary unless you option for more than the \$30 minimum coverage. In which case you will need to send a check for the rest of the coverage you have chosen. Checks should be made out to LRBBA and put in the band safe.

Mustang Marching Band

Pack instruments away from the back of the trailers

With cased instrument in hand, form a single line in reverse score order (brass then woodwinds), away from the back of the trailer with the tubas and drum line first.

Tuba's and drum line will be asked to come to the back of the trailer first.

Once tubas and drum line are loaded, ranch hands will call for everybody else. Bring the line to the back of the trailer and become an assembly line handing each case, one at a time, forward until all cases are loaded.

Demerits will be issued by the ranch hands for any horseplay or lack of cooperation.

UNLOADING: Once we get to our performance site or back home

Form a single line in reverse score order (brass then woodwinds), away from the back of the trailer with the tubas and drum line first. When you are handed your case, place it on the ground in front of you and continue passing cases until all cases are unloaded. At that time drum majors, will dismiss the line to unpack or put instruments away.

At performances, leave cases on the ground and report to arcs. Ranch Hands will help load the cases on the trailers.

If there is prop trailer, stay clear of the back of the trailer while Ranch Hands unload.

Second: Bus Captains

Two Bus Capt.'s will be chosen at the officer meeting and assigned to each bus. Their job is to take attendance and be in charge of discipline. Chaperons will speak to the bus Capt. first if any problem occurs. Bus Captains will pick up their bus clipboard before going to the bus and are responsible for returning it to the band office once we return home. A Bus Capt. Duty Sheet will be attached to your clipboard. Bus Capts need to be released first so they can be at the bus doors.

Third: Bus Riding Rules

All school rules and policies apply to riding the buses to away games plus the following: Bus captains are in charge of the bus. They can issue demerits.

1. Keep all articles inside the bus (i.e. arms, head, equipment, etc.).
2. No food or drink is to be taken on the bus unless authorized by the band director/bus drivers.
3. Abusive language, swearing, screaming, or loud whistling is not permitted.
4. New: No cell phone or walkman type music players with earphones are permitted. Not my rules folks...this one comes from the bus garage
5. Check around your bus before it leaves and after it arrives to be sure you take all equipment.
6. Rude behavior will not be tolerated
7. Each bus is to be checked for equipment & any trash we may have left on the bus. Windows up at the end of the trip when you are on school buses.
8. Students are to become completely quiet at railroad crossings.
9. No students will be permitted to sit under a blanket! PDA Schools Rules apply!!!!
10. Students are not to throw anything out of a school bus window.
11. Cheering and singing is usually allowed depending on your driver. Ask if in doubt.
12. Demerits are announced by the bus captains upon arrival at LRHS. Away Game demerit duty is:
 - #1) Clean The Bus (Bus captain will dismiss you to the band room).
 - #2) Assist Uniform moms with collecting uniforms including yours.
 - #3) Assist band officers with cleaning and setting up the band room. A designated demerit officer will dismiss you.

Home Game Rules & Procedures

Water Passed Out After Pregame

Boosters will be in the stands to pass out water to you when you get in the stands after the pre-game show. Help them out by paying attention and passing cups down your row. Students are not permitted to go get a drink or food from the concession stand before half-time. That's what the 3rd quarter break is for.

In The Stands Policy

Everyone is expected to play and cheer in the stands. We want to set a great example for other students to follow. We are there to support the team and cheer them on. Have your music ready at a moment's notice. You are responsible for your instrument at all times. Don't set it down on the seats. Don't stand on the seats. Boosters will cover the seats to help keep our uniforms cleaner.

Third Quarter Break

It is our tradition (home and away) to allow you to take a break during the third quarter to get a drink and something to eat, so bring some money. Directions for the proper concession stand and rest room to visit will be given at the game. We need you to return to our stands ASAP after the concession and rest rooms. We will start to play in support of the team as soon as enough of us have returned or at the end of the third quarter. Anyone not ready to play at the 3rd quarter buzzer will have demerit duty after the game cleaning and setting up the band room.

After The Game

We will play several tunes while the crowd exits the stadium. We will then make a drum line tunnel in front of our stands and march through the tunnel back then march in single file to the flag poles. No horse-play here! After staff announcements and the demerit roster read, you will be dismissed. Go into the band room and put your instrument away. You may leave right after that is complete through the back hallway doors.

Parent Pick Up Time

Parents can plan to pick you up from home games at approximately 10:30pm. Band members are never released early (unless bad weather).

In order to be a more effective group, the Lakewood Ranch Band Boosters will be setting up a reference file on parents who are available to help the bands. Please complete the information below and return it to the band office as soon as possible or send it with your son/daughter:

Lakewood Ranch H.S. Band: 5500 Lakewood Ranch Blvd., Bradenton, FL 34202 or
 LRBBA, PO Box 20265, Bradenton, FL 34204-0265

Student Name: _____ **Grade:** _____

Check all that apply: ___ Wind Ensemble ___ Jazz Band
 ___ Symphonic Band ___ Color Guard
 ___ Concert Band ___ Marching Band
 ___ Percussion Class

Address: _____

Phone: (Home) _____ (Cell) _____

Work: _____

Email: _____

Fathers Profession: _____ **Mothers Profession:** _____

I can serve in the following way(s):

- ___ Committee Chair
- ___ Chaperone (Football Games (Away & Home))
- ___ Chaperone (Competition Trips – Solo Ensemble Districts / State)
- ___ Band Parent or Co Parent (Wind Ensemble)
- ___ Band Parent or Co Parent (Symphonic Band)
- ___ Band Parent or Co Parent (Concert Band)
- ___ Band Parent or Co Parent (Jazz Band)
- ___ Band Parent or Co Parent (Marching Band)
- ___ Uniforms (Checkout, repairing, turn-in)
- ___ Ways and Means (Fundraising)
- ___ Publicity
- ___ Telephone Committee
- ___ Help during school hours
- ___ Have truck/van available to tow band trailers to games and competition
- ___ Ranch Hand (Help w/instruments and set ups during performances)
- ___ Other (Special abilities available to boosters, electrician, carpenter, painter, etc.) _____
- ___ Not sure at this time but would appreciate a phone call about the options listed.

Please indicate the best way to reach you:

Phone _____

Email _____

**SCHOOL HEALTH SERVICES
AUTHORIZATION FOR PROVISION OF EMERGENCY MEDICAL CARE AND
MEDICATION ON EXTENDED OR OVERNIGHT FIELD TRIPS**

Name _____ Date of Birth _____
Address _____
City/State/Zip _____
Parent/Guardian _____
Work Phone _____ Home Phone _____ Parent Cell Phone _____

My son/daughter _____ is given permission to perform and travel with the Lakewood Ranch High School Band. I give permission for emergency medical treatment to be provided if needed, and for the following medications to be administered as directed: (Circle all that apply and attach Doctor's Authorization)

Motrin/advil	Cough medicine	midol
Tylenol	sinus medicine	antacid
Benedryl	allergy medicine	

List all prescription medicine and dosage that your child takes or as needed.

If your child uses an inhaler please have one available for him/her to take to all games, competitions and trips even if they seldom use it.

Allergies: _____
Medical Conditions: _____

Date of last Tetanus: _____
Insurance Company: _____ Policy No. _____
Phone # of insurance company: _____
Family Doctor: _____ Phone No. _____

In the event we cannot be reached please contact:
Name _____ Phone No. _____
Relationship: _____

Parent/guardian signature

Sworn to and subscribed before me on the _____ day of _____, 2003

Notary Public, My Commission Expires

I agree to administer medication as indicated above.

Band Director/Chaperone Signature

List medications of any type your child will be taking on any trips. This includes aspirin,

sickness pills, cold medicine, anything!

List any medical information that should be known about your child. Anything that may cause extra attention in case of emergency including:
bad asthma attacks, cramps, severe headaches, feet/arm problems, etc.

Please do not hesitate to put anything you feel is important on this sheet. It is confidential: only Mr. Schaer and the band medical staff will see this information. We wish to properly treat your child and follow special procedures in case of an emergency. Our records are kept separate from the school nurse. If you have any questions, call Mr. Schaer (S-727-6100 Ext. 2029)(email: schaerb@manateeschools.net) or (LRBBA1@Yahoo.com).

MUSTANG MARCHING BAND RESPONSIBILITIES

I am responsible for:

1. my conduct, remembering that each person represents the entire band.
2. projecting school spirit, congeniality, and happiness. **SMILE!**
3. maintaining good relationships with the other band members, cheerleaders, and other school groups.
4. reporting uniform and equipment maintenance problems to the Uniform Moms.
5. performing at practice with pride, poise and enthusiasm.
6. being respectful to my director, my fellow members, and any officers.
7. working together with others at practice and for paying attention without talking or commenting.
8. seeking help on a routine/music when needed.
9. speaking with the director if I feel that I have been treated unfairly.
10. contacting my director as soon as possible if I am unable to attend a practice or performance.
11. arriving on time to all Mustang Marching Band functions.
12. attending all practices and being in school on that day in order to perform.
13. attending all performances in full uniform even if I am unable to perform.
14. fulfilling my financial obligations on the date requested.
15. seeing that I meet all the requirements of inspection.
16. maintaining a 2.0 or better Grade Point Average.
17. bring a note the day before an event if I intend to leave that event with my parents.
18. bringing a note documenting my absence from my parents the day I return to practice.

I _____
understand my responsibilities as a member of the Mustang Marching Band and will comply with all of the above statements.

_____ Date:
Member Signature

_____ Date:
Parent Signature

Demerit Policy

Demerits are a form of discipline utilized by this marching band. You can receive them for several reasons:

1. **Tardiness** - Excuses for tardiness will not be accepted. If you are late because of some unforeseen reason that is not your fault, you will still need to serve a demerit after that practice. The procedure for being tardy is for you to report to the band secretary upon arrival so you can be marked present. See Mr. Schaer after practice about why you were late.
2. **Improper Dress** - All school rules apply to the clothing worn to marching band. Students will be allowed to wear hats and sunglasses to practice but should take care not to wear them to school or during school.
3. **Gum** - There will be "zero tolerance" towards gum. We don't want it left in the music suite and proper breath control for playing your instrument cannot be accomplished when you are chewing gum.
4. **Music** - You must have all of your music during practice. We will always be learning new songs from your folder, so have it handy.
5. **Instrument** - Unless otherwise noted, always bring your instrument to practice.
6. **Disrespect** - This is the most severe demerit you can receive. The band director will be notified by the "demerit officer" about anyone receiving this demerit. Always try to treat others like you want to be treated.
7. **Talking** - Talking will not be tolerated while at attention or when being addressed by staff members. Bands that talk do not usually earn superior ratings or make finals.
8. **Memorization** - The band director or section leader will give you a date when each song and drill movement must be memorized. If it is not then a demerit will be issued that day. Another demerit will be issued the next day if the music still has not been memorized.
9. **Sectionals** - Extra sectionals may be announced from time to time. Ample lead-time will be given to allow members to adjust their schedules. A demerit will be issued for skipping. If you can't make an extra sectional called by a section leader, clear permission to be absent ahead of time from a director.
10. **Directors Demerit** - Usually issued for horseplay and the like, you do not want to be singled out for a director's demerit. Band officers can issue demerits to anyone in the band. Section leaders can only issue to their section (i.e. flute to flute, guard to guard, etc.).

Serving Demerits

All marching band members who break the rules will receive a warning for the first offence of the day. The second time the same rule is broken, band members will be required to do 10 pushups on the spot. If the behavior is still not corrected the student will be given a demerit. When you receive a demerit you are required to stay after practice that day (usually 15 to 20 minutes) in which time you will be required to do any or all of the following: playing test, marching fundamentals, cleaning and organizing the band room, carrying equipment back to the band room. You must serve the demerit the day you receive it. "Work" or "my parents have to get going" are not excuses. If you know you have to get going after practice, don't get a demerit!!

Consequences of Demerits

If you receive three demerits in one week, you will not have a third quarter break at the football game. If you have four demerits in one week, you will not have a third quarter break and you will clean the band room after the game and Mr. Schaer will contact your parents. If you receive ten or more demerits, a conference will be held with your parents and you may subsequently be removed from marching band.