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HONORS BAND INTENT FORM

I have reviewed with my band director the expectations for participation in the Henrico County Public Schools Honors Band Program. I understand the requirements and hereby agree to participate in Honors Band for the 2017-2018 school year.

(Student Signature)

(Date)

(Parent Signature)

(Date)

(Band Director Signature)

(Date)

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REQUIREMENTS ONCE SELECTED FOR HONORS BAND PROGRAM

1. Participation in Advanced Band

- Marching Band and Concert Band/Wind Ensemble. No exceptions without the expressed approval of the director. (Attendance at rehearsals, concerts and school music activities in accordance with advanced band curriculum and essentials).

2. Auditions

- All-County Band and participation, if selected.
- All-District Band and participation, if selected.
- All-Virginia Band and participation, if selected.

3. Major Project

- Project may be written or performance oriented, proposed and presented prior to May 15th. This year-long project may include, but is not limited to:
 - i. Composing and performing an original work in a concert setting
 - ii. Transcribing a major work for band or orchestra
 - iii. Writing a music research paper
 - iv. Preparing and performing a solo with a band or orchestra
 - v. Preparing and conducting a selection on a concert
 - vi. Assisting band director with projects within the school – (this type of project should be discussed and approved by the band director)
 - vii. Participation in a performing ensemble outside of school, (e.g. a community band or church ensemble that performs on a regular basis)

4. Attendance at Musical Performances outside of school

- Students must attend 2 musical performances per nine week grading period outside of Freeman High School. Once the student has attended the performance, the “Performance Critique” form must be completed and submitted to the band director. **The review must be submitted within one week of the attended performance.**
- **When attending performances and submitting reviews, the following guidelines should be observed:**
 - i. only 1 performance review may be a popular music (rock, rap, country, etc.) performance
 - ii. only 1 performance review may be a concert or musical performance put on by another public school
 - iii. only 1 performance review may be a performance by a church or religious organizations