**Mainsails Colorguard Tryouts**

**2025-2026**

**Clinic and Mandatory Tryouts**

Mandatory Clinics- April 9-10th

Tryouts- April 11th (Friday)

6-8:30 pm

MHS Commons

**Mandatory Parent/Member Meeting**

April 28th (Monday)

6:30 pm

MHS Band Room

We are very excited that you have expressed an interest in becoming a member of the MHS Mainsails colorguard for the 2025-2026 school year! The Mainsails are a competitive colorguard that competes and performs with the MHS Marching Band in the fall. This team is composed of MHS students in grades 9-12. If you are selected for the team, there are certain personal and financial responsibilities and obligations that you and your parents must assume to qualify as a member in good standing. Please read this information carefully with your parents before you decide to try out. To try out, both parent/guardian and auditionee must be present at the mandatory informational meeting on Monday, April 28th, at 6:30 pm in the MHS band room. Membership is a YEARLONG commitment and begins this spring with a mandatory parent/ member meeting and ends at the end of the school year, concluding with a banquet. Fittings for team uniform pieces will be on April 28th at the end of the meeting.

**Mandatory Mainsails Dates**

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| May 15th & May 22nd (5-7pm)  |
| Guard Camp - June 2-6th (8am-8pm) |
| Mainsails and Percussion camp - July 7-11th (8am-Noon) |
| Band Camp - July 14th-24th (8am-8pm) July 25th (8am-1pm) |
| Family performance - July 25th (7-8pm) |
|  Pep Rallys (Before and During school) |
| All Varsity Football games -Friday Nights (Occasional Thursday games and possible playoff games) |
| Band Competitions (Sept 27, Oct 4, Oct 11, Oct 18) |
| Winterguard practices starting after the Thanksgiving break |
| Winterguard staging camp (Winter break-TBA) |
| Winterguard competitions (Saturdays TBA - Feb, March) |
| Winterguard 2025 Championships (March TBA) |
| 2026 Band and Guard banquet (April TBA) |

**Candidate Requirements:**

Candidates must have a clean discipline record (no suspensions, or expulsions) and a 2.0 grade point average with no semester failing grades.

All candidates trying out must presently be a student of MHS for the 2025-2026 school year, or an incoming ninth grader from any MHS feeder school, except for those transferring from other schools. Transferring students need documentation confirming proof of residency within MHS’s district.

If selected to be a Mainsail, the student MUST have a physical signed by a doctor before the guard camp starting in June.

A candidate must not owe any fines or fees to Mandeville High School, the MHS Band/ Boosters, or to any club, team or other organization at MHS or their own.

Each candidate will receive a copy of the MHS Mainsails Handbook (rules) which must be signed by the student and parent/guardian. Handbooks will be distributed at the parent/ member meeting. Members are expected to meet high standards of conduct and academics. Candidates must submit all paperwork on time, if they wish to participate on the team.

**Tryout apparel (DAY OF TRYOUTS):**

Plain black tank top, t-shirt, leotard

solid black skirt, shorts, hot shorts (NO SWEATS)

jazz shoes (preferred), ballet shoes, half-sole turner shoes, or barefoot (If you do not own any of the above) hair MUST be styled up, nicely off of face and performance makeup on day of try-outs. Flesh colored tights are optional.

***(Clinic days are colorful days)***

***\*No baggy clothes, jewelry, watches, hair down, or bright colored sports bras\*\****

**Tryout process:**

Judges will evaluate participants and record their scores. These scores will be added to teacher recommendation scores to calculate total points. **If an auditionee has less than 5 teacher recommendations, 0s will be added in place of the missing recommendations to calculate the score.** Candidates may have more than 5 recommendations.

Candidates will be identified by a number given out at the clinic. Judges will score candidates anonymously by their audition number. The top 70% of the team will consist solely of judges’ scores. The remaining 30% of each team will be selected based upon judges’ scores and how the dancers fit in with the abilities of the top 70%.

Candidates will be scored on flag technique within the flag/dance routine and across the floors.

***The colorguard tryout clinic and tryouts are closed to all spectators.***

***Parents and spectators must remain outside until tryouts are concluded.***

We look forward to seeing you at tryouts! If you have any questions, please email coach Maci Burt at maci.burt@stpsb.org

Please return the information below to the MHS band roomby

**April 9th by 6 pm.**

(Please turn in at earliest convenience)

**Tryout Packet Checklist:**

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Colorguard application

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Insurance form (back of colorguard application)

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Copy of first semester (2023-2024) report card Maintaining at least a 2.0

 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Clearance slip from MHS office (or current school office showing no fees owed)

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Signed constitution contract page (distributed at meeting on Monday, April 28th )

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ **5** Teacher recommendations in **sealed envelopes with the**

**Auditionee’s name on the front and teachers’ signatures across the seals.** Teachers may send these directly to the directors of the band. Placing them in their mailboxes (Rossi Dibenedetto or Peyton Johnson)

**2024 – 2025 MHS Colorguard application**

**Due to the MHS Student Services office Monday, April 7th. No exceptions.**

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FATHER’S NAME\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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EMAIL(parent)\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

SCHOOL EMAIL(applicant)\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

MOTHER CELL\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_ \_\_

FATHER CELL\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_

STUDENT CELL\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

 STUDENT AGE\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_DOB\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_

CURRENT SCHOOL (Spell it out) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

GRADE NEXT YEAR\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

CURRENT HIGH SCHOOL CUMULATIVE GPA (if applicable):\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Previous Colorguard experience (Check one): Yes\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_No\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(print name) has my permission to try out for the Mandeville High School Mainsails Colorguard. I have read the list of requirements, and reviewed the dates and financial obligations. I agree to all conditions, and should my child be selected, I will support the group in all of its activities. I release the school and sponsors from any liability in case of injury.

SIGNATURE\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (PARENT/GUARDIAN)

SIGNATURE\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

(CANDIDATE)

**Please fill out the health insurance information completely or attach a copy of the card.**

HEALTH INSURANCE PROVIDER/COMPANY:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ COMPANY POLICY NUMBER:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Does your child have a medical condition?\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

If yes, please state the condition & explain if necessary:\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Doctor’s Name:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Doctor’s Phone Number:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact: Name:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Relation\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Home Number: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Work Number:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**If the applicant is not currently covered by a health insurance organization, please read**

**and sign:**

I agree to purchase school or other health insurances for \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ if s/he should make the 2025-2026 Mandeville High Mainsails colorguard.

Parent or Guardian Signature\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

# MHS Mainsails Colorguard Teacher Recommendations

**Please return to MHS front office to place in band directors' mailboxes in a sealed envelope with your signature across the seal or send via courier by Friday, April 4th, 2025.**

**\*\*\*\****MHS teachers may place recommendation forms in Mr. Dibenedetto’s or Mr. Johnson’s mailboxes\*\*\*\**

Candidate Name \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

*Please rate the student in the following categories using the scale below.* ***Feel free to make any additional comments on the bottom of this sheet.*** *Thank you for all that you do!*

1. **= Does not possess or exemplify this trait**
2. **= Needs improvement**
3. **= Average**
4. **= Excellent (Would you like to work closely with this student on a daily basis?)**

***\*Please only use these numbers when rating students. Do not use any in between. \****

1. Leadership. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
2. Responsibility \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
3. Honesty & integrity \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
4. Cooperative attitude & behavior \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
5. Respect for authority & rules \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
6. Attendance/punctuality \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
7. Work ethic \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
8. Perseverance & dedication \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL SCORE out of 24 points** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  **\*Please be sure to only use the scale listed above.**

 Additional comments: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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TEACHER NAME (please print) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

TEACHER SIGNATURE\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_