

Livingston High School Marching Lancer Band 2022-23 DRUM MAJOR REQUIREMENTS

SCHEDULE OF DATES for ALL POTENTIAL CANDIDATES for DRUM MAJOR position

Thurs. 5/5/22 - Zoom Meeting about becoming drum major or an officer.

- Tues. 5/10/22 Lunchtime- conducting practice with Mr. J
- Fri. 5/20/22 Essays due from candidates

Tues. 5/24/22 - 4pm - Interviews in Band Room

Thurs. 5/26/22- 3pm-5pm AUDITIONS-Conducting, command calling, marching portion of audition with Marching Band

ATTENDANCE WILL BE MANDATORY at the above dates to be considered for the Drum Major .

The main requirements to be considered for DRUM MAJOR:

- Must be a JUNIOR or SENIOR for the 2022-2023 school year and have at least one year experience.
- Full attendance at the entire upcoming summer band camp and all performance functions (parades, football games, etc) during the 2022-23 school year

Factors to be strongly considered include previously demonstrated:

- Attendance and punctuality at rehearsals and performances
- Voluntary assistance to other officers and staff members with teaching, room clean-up, etc.
- Overall musical and visual preparation for the field show
- Attitude and Personality
- Working relationship with other band members
- Leadership and communication skills
- Musical ability
- Salute

The audition process will include the following for DRUM MAJOR CANDIDATES:

Calling Commands	25 pts.
Question/Answer with the staff	25 pts.
Conducting	25 pts.
Marching ability	25 pts.
Essay	
The other factors bulleted above	

It is expected that any student chosen to be Drum Major will be an exemplary member in the music program as well as Livingston High School. Drum Majors are the leaders of the band and are expected to lead by example at all times. The Marching Band Staff reserves the right to dismiss or replace you for failure to perform the associated duties or to follow the rules of the organization.

ESSAY REQUIREMENTS (400-500 WORDS)

1) AT THE TOP OF YOUR ESSAY, please CLEARLY state that you are interested in being DRUM MAJOR. 2) Express your thoughts of the responsibilities of a Drum Major/Officer.

- What is the role of Drum Major /Officer in relation to students and staff?
 - Explain how the band would benefit with you as Drum Major/Officer. What new ideas would you bring to the group?
 What direction do you see our band heading in the future? In addition to addressing these points as if our season follows the traditional format, please share your ideas on how you envision being a student leader during a virtual marching band scenario.

ESSAY DUE DATE IS FRIDAY, May 20, 2022 at 3PM-5 points will be deducted per day for late essays! Essays MUST BE EMAILED to both Mr. Jedwabnik and Mr. Hegedus. No hard copies please.

PLEASE GO TO THIS LINK AND FILL OUT YOUR INTENT TO TRY OUT FOR DRUM MAJOR by **Tuesday, May 10, 2022:** DRUM MAJOR / OFFICER INTENT FORM