



Code of Conduct Bands of America Honor Band

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BOA HONOR BAND IN THE 2017 ROSE PARADE®

PREFACE

As a member of the Bands of America Honor Band, you have an obligation to project and maintain the absolute highest moral and musical integrity and citizenship. This ideal will not be compromised. Therefore, the conduct, appearance and demeanor of Honor Band members will be beyond question at all times.

All rules and expectations are set forth to help you enjoy your experience to the fullest, and to avoid the embarrassment and inconvenience that momentary lapses in judgment may bring about.

MUSIC FOR ALL'S MISSION

Music for All's mission is to create, provide and expand positively life-changing experiences through music for all.

MUSIC FOR ALL'S VISION

Music for All will be a catalyst to ensure that every child across America has access and opportunity to participate in active music making in his or her scholastic environment.

EXPECTATIONS

1. Punctuality is essential in adhering to our very busy rehearsal and concert schedule. Refer to your schedule, and make note of any changes as they are given. Be early for everything, and help each other stay organized. Early is on time, on time is late.
2. All Honor Band personnel are expected to dress and groom themselves neatly and conservatively. Caps or hats are not to be worn indoors. Girls and boys are not to wear earrings or jewelry during performances or while in uniform. Boys must keep facial hair neat, daily. Please do not make it necessary for a director, chaperone or other adult supervisor to address these issues. It is embarrassing and distracting for all involved.
3. When in performance uniform and in public view, remain in full parade uniform, unless otherwise instructed. While in parade uniform, do not wear athletic shoes, chew gum, etc. (Follow the instructions of the director, chaperone or adult supervisor in charge.)
4. You are expected to attend everything on the schedule of activities you are given. At no time will Honor Band members deviate from this schedule. In the event of illness, you are to notify your chaperone to make arrangements to attend to your needs.
5. Honor Band members will neither purchase nor use alcohol, tobacco, or controlled drugs or substances of any kind for the duration of the event.
6. All prescription medication is to be documented on the medical form that will be sent to you under separate cover, and will be due prior to your arrival in Los Angeles.
7. Honor Band members are not to enter the hotel rooms, residences or vehicles of anyone outside our group. This includes taxis or other transportation, public or private, UNLESS ACCOMPANIED BY AN OFFICIAL CHAPERONE OR ADULT SUPERVISOR. Honor Band members will not leave the supervision of Music for All to visit friends or family during meal breaks or social events without permission from the assigned chaperone. Permission will not be given except when the request is made in writing or in person by the teacher or parent/guardian.
8. Visitors from outside the Honor Band or Music for All may not enter the hotel rooms of Honor Band members at any time.
9. Honor Band members will not enter the hotel rooms of anyone of the opposite sex. Even the most innocent and forthright interaction among girls and boys in hotel rooms invites criticism and creates unnecessary distraction, and therefore will not be permitted or tolerated.
10. During the course of your hotel stay, you may encounter groups and individuals outside of Music for All's direct authority who may be unsupervised and who may engage in behavior that would violate this Code of Conduct. Do not be influenced nor persuaded to engage in any behavior that is in conflict with the spirit of this Code of Conduct.

11. Students must remain reasonably quiet at all times when in the hotel. This extends to movement in the halls or other public areas of the hotel as well as when in your room. Practicing will not be allowed in hotel rooms. Other guests will be present in the hotel at all times.
12. Curfews will be strictly observed. Any personal needs which might require leaving your room after curfew must be arranged in advance with a chaperone or adult sponsor. Leaving your room FOR ANY REASON after curfew and before it expires each morning is prohibited. "Lights Out" is imposed for a reason. Each of you must have enough rest to take on the next day's schedule of activities. Rest and sleep are necessary for your well-being and the good of the group.
13. Profanity and profane behavior will not be tolerated at any time.
14. Each Honor Band member is responsible for all his/her own equipment and personal items (triple check for parade uniform, extra reeds, valve oil, mutes, etc.). However, we all must share in the logistical responsibilities of the week as needed. We may all be called upon to act as equipment movers, etc. No questions! Perform the duties asked of you.
15. There may be times when changes to our plans become necessary. Look for solutions to problems and avoid complaining. Concerns should be expressed at an appropriate time and in an appropriate manner. Suggestion: Never complain to anyone who cannot solve your problem.
16. Two of Music for All's Core Values are Leadership and Integrity. We are committed to a high standard of integrity, a strong ethical framework, and a deep and abiding sense of respect with whom we interact. Through leadership, we expect the Honor Band members to lead others to strive for a higher level of integrity by leading through positive action. By signing this code, you agree to abide by this code of conduct, and report those who are or appear to be in violation of the honor code, or whose actions are dangerous to themselves or others as soon as possible to a Music for All staff member. **Honor Band members agree to not lie, steal or cheat, nor tolerate anyone who does.** Even the perception of wrongdoing puts the Bands of America Honor Band and Music for All at risk. It is the responsibility of each Honor Band member to reflect and uphold the positive image of Music for All and the Bands of America Honor Band.
17. Each Honor Band member must take care to avoid damaging other students', instructors', staff members', and hotel property. Under no circumstances will any student borrow or otherwise take another's property without asking and being granted permission to do so. In return, all Honor Band members have a right to expect that others will respect their property in the same manner.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND ACCEPTANCE OF RESPONSIBILITY

My child, a member of the Bands of America Honor Band, and I acknowledge that we have reviewed the above referenced requirements and accept and agree to abide by said rules and conditions. It is further understood by us that any violation of this agreement, either as stated or as implied, may result in my child's dismissal from the group and early transport home at my expense.

Signed,

Signed,

Parent/Legal Guardian

Honor Band Member

Name (please print)

Name (please print)

Date

Date

**PLEASE RETAIN ONE COPY OF THIS CODE OF CONDUCT
AND RETURN THE OTHER BY APRIL 1, 2016 TO:
Participant Relations Department
Music for All, Inc., 39 W. Jackson Place, Suite 150, Indianapolis, IN 46225-1011
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