BAND UNIFORM ALTERATIONS

ALL students MUST have a uniform in order to perform with the SCMS Band. In order to ensure that everyone's uniforms are altered and ready for our first concert on November 5th, students will be given their uniforms this week. Students that have not paid their uniform and class fees will NOT be given their uniforms! Please turn in payment as soon as possible. As always, please contact Mrs. Magwire with any financial concerns.

Both girls and boys <u>uniforms will be very long</u>. This is intentional and ensures that all dresses/pants fit even the tallest students. See below for instructions regarding hemming and trimming your student's uniform.

Students that are not in uniform will not receive full credit for the concert and may not be allowed to play at all!

GIRLS

DRESS

- Try on dress and check for correct fit. As mentioned, the length will be wrong but the rest of the dress should fit reasonably well. The zipper should go up easily and not be too snug around the waist. It may be a little loose in the bust area, but it should not be excessively big. Girls may wear a black camisole tank top under their dress if it they wish. No long sleeves or sweaters are permitted.
- The dress should be hemmed so that it falls 1 inch from the floor. It is recommended that you leave a couple of inches of material in the hem so that when students grow they are able to let out the hem and avoid purchasing a new uniform.
- Make sure to wear your performance shoes when being measured for alterations!

SHOES

• Black dress shoes are <u>required and are NOT provided</u>. Please make arrangements to have these in time for the first concerts.

BOYS

SHIRTS

- Try on shirt (remove any pins first!!!) and make sure to button the top button. The collar should NOT be folded down and you should be able to breathe comfortably.
- Hold your arms as if you are playing your instrument and make sure that the sleeves come down to at least your wrist. Sleeves may be a little long, but should not come past the fingers.

PANTS

- As mentioned, pants will be very long. Ignoring that, make sure that the waist is not too big or small. The
 waistband is ADJUSTABLE. Please try tightening/loosening pants using the tabs on both sides before contacting
 me.
- Pants should be hemmed so that the heel comes just to the floor. Tuxedo pants should not be baggy and should not hang lower than the student's waist. You can NOT wear a belt with a tux!
- It is recommended that you leave a couple of inches of extra material in the hem so that when students grow
 they are able to let out the hem and hopefully avoid purchasing a new uniform. If you fold the material a couple
 of times at the bottom, you can keep the extra material out of the way while making it easy to adjust when your
 student grows.

ACCESSORIES

• Bow Ties and Cummerbunds (i.e. "the belt") – are adjustable and will fit even the smallest student. Make sure to put these in a safe place so that they do not get lost!

SHOES

• Black dress shoes and black socks (no color other than black may be showing when in uniform) are <u>required and</u> are NOT provided. Please make arrangements to have these in time for the first concerts.

ERRORS

After carefully reading through alteration guidelines if anyone feels like they have received an incorrectly sized uniform, please contact Mrs. Magwire IMMEDIATELY so that we can try to get them replaced in time for the concert.