

Part 3: Band Member Responsibilities and Code of Conduct

The following items are to be adhered to during all band functions including rehearsals, performances, while in transit (in busses or cars), or at any scheduled band event. Rules will also apply whenever students are in a band space such as the band room, at show encampments, or on campus. Students are also encouraged to observe any applicable band rules while in public.

- I. Respect – Always show respect for yourself, your peers, your teachers, your school, and your community. You are to support each other through positive language and encouragement. ***Negative language and rumor spreading will not be tolerated.***
- II. Respect people’s space and property – Students shall not needlessly touch or move other peoples’ things. ***Whenever something is borrowed, it must then be returned to the proper place and in good condition.*** When using a location for rehearsal or performance, it should be left clear of trash.
- III. Be on time! – It is the responsibility of the member to be on time, every time. Students should discuss any potential issues with the director and appropriate student leaders well in advance.
- IV. Inappropriate language, messaging, and other forms of communication are never acceptable – Choose your words carefully. This includes social media.
- V. No “PDA” – Public Displays of Affection are not appropriate on school grounds or during any band function or when wearing any attire identifiable with the band program.
- VI. Follow the chain of command – The band leadership structure is to be abided by during rehearsals and band functions. See the Director to discuss leadership issues.
- VII. Do not bicker or argue. Disagreements should be handled in a civilized manner outside of class time. This includes social media sites and other written communication.
- VIII. During any band function, students will stay in groups of *three or more band members*. Anyone not in band, including parents, cannot count as a second or third person.
- IX. Friends and significant others not in band should not be in the immediate vicinity of rehearsal or performance. During band functions, do not expect to spend time with friends, family, or significant others who are not in the band. This includes “downtime” during rehearsals and performances.
- X. Care for all instruments and equipment. All members must display proper care, cleaning, maintenance, and use of all instruments and equipment. This includes proper storage of items, carrying items correctly, using only items assigned to you and transporting items safely.
- XI. Take Pride in your band room. – The band room is to be treated with respect at all times. There will be no eating or drinking in the band room unless given special permission. Eating in the room during school lunch/brunch will be allowed only if the room’s kept tidy. Dirty shoes are not allowed in the band room.

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The band room should not be left open and unattended.

Band room lockers and attached rooms should be kept tidy.

Do not leave personal possessions in the room or attached rooms. Use lockers or other assigned spaces.

XII. Uniform Etiquette – While in uniform...

Official Band clothing such as Band Polo shirts and the band jackets may not be altered in any way without the director's permission. Patches may be used if approved by director.

Students will wear their uniform properly and will be responsible for all of its components.

Students will not eat or drink (other than water) without permission.

Students will not run or roughhouse.

Students will not wear makeup/jewelry unless part of the uniform or approved by the Director.

No PDA in uniform. When in uniform (including away game uniforms), this includes any hugging or holding hands.

Students will only use the uniform components assigned to them.

If carrying a uniform part, students will do so in a uniform and orderly fashion.

XIII. Field (rehearsal) Etiquette – While on the field (when rehearsing in general)...

Students will not spit on the ground.

Students will wear proper marching footwear if on the field.

Students will set down Instruments/Equipment/Personal belongings in an organized manner.

Students will avoid stepping over equipment or walking through a working section.

Students will refrain from making corrections to other members unless given the authority to do so.

Students will not talk (excluding breaks/relax) unless required by the nature of the lesson or their responsibilities.

Students will reset quickly between marching sets.

Students will not use instruments/equipment other than their own.

XIV. Take Pride in your band. The Golden Eagle Band is what it is now because someone before you cared enough and was willing to uphold the tradition of excellence. You represent the band, the school, and the community both on and off the field. It is your duty to exemplify what it means to be a Golden Eagle.

I have read and understand the student code of conduct and I agree to abide by it as a member of the Del Oro High School Golden Eagle Band.

Name: (Please Print Clearly) _____

Signature _____ Date _____