THS Band - Discipline/Demerit Policy

Undignified behavior while in uniform – punishment decided by band director &/ or athletic director Included but not limited to:

- Fighting, possession of or under the influence of drug/alcohol/vape
- Bullying, intimidating, or harassing actions or statements through social media, chat, or in person
- Breaking ANY school policy

Undignified behavior out of uniform - 10 demerits

Included but not limited to:

- Fighting, possession of or under the influence of drug/alcohol/vape
- Bullying, intimidating, or harassing actions or statements through social media, chat, or in person
- ANY disciplinary problems that cause you to be placed in retract or OSS
- Disciplinary problems in the classroom

Use of profanity or obscene gestures – 5 demerits

• Cursing, aggressive/hostile speech, physical inappropriate gestures or dancing

Being late or leaving early from practice - 1 demerit

- THE ONLY EXCUSED reason is illness/ family emergency.
- You must bring a doctor's excuse the very next practice.
- Detention, etc is NOT excused!

Being late or leaving early from a game – 2 demerits

- THE ONLY EXCUSED reason is illness/ family emergency.
- You must bring a doctor's excuse the very next practice.

Unexcused absence from a practice or a game – 3 demerits

- Missing 15 minutes or more of a practice is considered an absence.
- The ONLY EXCUSED reason is illness/ family emergency.
- You must bring a doctor's excuse the very next practice.

Failure to wear the appropriate practice, pep rally, or game day wear (shoes, socks, shirt, etc.) – 1 demerit per item

Unacceptable behavior or appearance at practice or performance. - 1 demerit

Chewing gum

15 demerits = Dismissal from the band.

• Using cell phone for unauthorized purposes (while not on break).

(student allowed for reconsideration following year)

- Body writing/paint of any kind is prohibited while in uniform.
- Excessive jewelry or make-up (keep it to a minimum)

****IN THE CASE OF AN UNUSUAL SITUATION OR CIRCUMSTANCE, THE COACH(ES) MAY MAKE EXCEPTIONS TO THE DEMERIT SYSTEM AFTER TAKING INTO FULL CONSIDERATION THE FAIRNESS TO THE REST OF THE TEAM MEMBERS.

10 demerits = Must sit out from 1 pep rally and 1 game or 2 games, whichever comes first.
5 demerits = Band member put on probation and must sit out the next game or pep rally, whichever comes first.

Parent initial:	
Student initial:	