# JHS Band Winter Group
# Attendance Contract
## *This form is DUE Tuesday, January 16, 2018*

In order for the Jupiter High School Band Winter Guards to achieve the highest level of excellence, attendance at all rehearsals and performances is mandatory. It is important for students to be on time and ready to begin (instruments, music and equipment available and students dressed appropriately) at the designated starting time. Any student not prepared to begin on time will be considered late.

Specific consequences for lateness, unexcused absences or inappropriate behavior will be set and enforced by the band director, staff, or section leaders.

Absences that will be excused are:

- Illness (note from parent or doctor required)
- Death in the family
- Absent from school
- Emergency beyond the control of the student or parent

These absences must be reported five (5) days prior to absence to be excused:

- Observance of a religious holiday
- School-sponsored activity
- Required court appearance (documentation required)

All other absences are not excused. Please plan other appointments, work schedules, orientations, college courses, and engagements outside of rehearsal time. Please refer to the online band calendar and be sure to plan well enough in advance to prevent any last minute conflicts.

**All students are expected to travel with the Winter Guard to all competitions and on overnight trips**.

**Grading**

Each student will receive 100 points for their daily participation grade for each rehearsal. Each unexcused absence will result in a 0 credit for the rehearsal. Each tardy will result in a 50 point deduction in the daily grade.

Any absence (excused or unexcused) may result in loss of eligibility to participate in the next performance and/or be placed in a shadow position. This is not necessarily a punishment but rather an issue of lack of preparation due to the absence.

**Communication**

Use the Jupiter High School Band Report of Absence Form to communicate all absences. This form is available in your Band information packet, in the band room, and online at JupiterBands.com/Forms.

In the event of an emergency, please contact Director of Bands Andrew Gekoskie via email or phone if possible at Andrew.Gekoskie@palmbeachschools.org or 561-744-7921.

The student is also asked to contact his/her section leader to let them know as well.
By signing below, you understand the Spirit of Jupiter attendance policy and agree to abide by it. You are also stating that you understand the grading procedure.

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Student Name (printed) Student Signature

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Parent Name (printed) Parent Signature

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Date