

# 2016 Band and Color Guard Lettering Application

*Revised – January 19, 2016*

***Applications Due by Friday, April 8, 2016 at 3:00 PM***

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: 9 10 11 12

**A BAND OR COLOR GUARD LETTER IS AN INDIVIDUAL ACHIEVEMENT THAT REQUIRES A HIGHER LEVEL OF DEDICATION AND MUSICIANSHIP. A LETTER REFLECTS THAT A STUDENT NOT ONLY FULFILLED ALL THE BASIC REQUIREMENTS LISTED BELOW, BUT HE/SHE PARTICIPATED IN FAR MORE THAN WAS REQUIRED AND HAVE BEEN CONSISTENTLY WORKING FOR EXCELLENCE AND PERSONAL MUSICAL ACHIEVEMENT IN THE ARAPAHOE BAND/GUARD.**

## **Basic Requirements for ALL Instrumental and Color Guard Students**

- ☐ Current Arapahoe High School student (9th – 12th grade / students are not eligible to letter in 8th grade)
- ☐ A member of the band or guard program for both semesters this year
- ☐ 100% attendance at ALL rehearsals and performances throughout the year (unless excused by director)
- ☐ Performance at winter pep band events (at least 2/3 of total performance opportunities – does not apply to students participating in winter guard or Arapahoe winter sports)
- ☐ Acceptable participation in fundraisers (100%, or as determined by director)
- ☐ Acceptable rehearsal etiquette and preparation (as determined by director)
- ☐ 2.5 GPA or better in ALL classes during the school year (*1st sem. FINAL grade / in-progress grades on May 1, 2016*)
- ☐ Instrumental students must have an “A” in band (in class with higher number of credits) during each semester
- ☐ Complete at least 15 hours of community service not related to the Arapahoe Band or Color Guard program (You must document your time and obtain signatures from the service host using a form provided by director)

*If a Band or Color Guard Member has reached all of the previous basic requirements, then please continue with the lettering application.*

## **Set Value Items (mark all that apply – you can only use each set value item once unless otherwise marked)**

- \_\_\_5 **BONUS** - Concert musician for all four years (total of 8 semesters - **seniors only**)
- \_\_\_5 **BONUS** - Marching Band / Color Guard member for all four years (total of 4 AHS fall seasons - **seniors only**)
- \_\_\_5 **BONUS** – Winter Guard / Winter Percussion member for all four years (total of 4 AHS winter seasons - **seniors only**)
- \_\_\_4 **BONUS** - Jazz musician for all four years (total of 8 semesters - **seniors only**)
- \_\_\_4 Marching Band and/or Color Guard member (yearly)
- \_\_\_4 Winter Guard and/or Winter Percussion member (yearly)
- \_\_\_3 Pit Orchestra for Spring Musical (yearly)
- \_\_\_3 Upper Student Leadership (drum major, alternate drum major, captains)
- \_\_\_3 Member of any Colorado High School ALL STATE honor group (All State Band or Orchestra)
- \_\_\_2 Member of any Colorado High School honor group (NOT ALL STATE – CU, CSU, WSCU, etc.)
- \_\_\_2 Pep Band participation above and beyond requirement for concert class (100% of total performance opportunities)

- \_\_\_2 Other Student Leadership (section leader or squad leader [non-captain])
- \_\_\_2 AHS Symphony orchestra member (Wind Ensemble students only)
- \_\_\_2 Playing in an extra concert band or jazz ensemble for an AHS concert as a sub-in following that band's normal rehearsal/performance schedule (*note: this only applies one time...not to each individual subbing position*)
- \_\_\_2 Middle School Outreach (student instructor for middle school guard club, participating in middle school recruitment, etc.)
- \_\_\_1 Alternate in any Colorado High School honor group (CU, CSU, WSCU, etc. [including All State groups])
- \_\_\_1 Taking consistent private lessons on primary band instrument or color guard equipment  
(*same teacher – at least 2 lessons per month*)  
Teacher's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_1 Teaching consistent private lessons on primary band instrument or color guard equipment  
(*same student – at least 2 lessons per month*)  
List Student & Instrument: \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_1 Member of an outside music group (DYAO, APYO, CHB, BK, etc.)  
Director's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_1 Member of a performing small ensemble or chamber group (one point per group as approved by director)
- \_\_\_1 T-Shirt artwork designer for marching show or trip (contest winner)
- \_\_\_1 Solo & Ensemble Festival Participant
- \_\_\_5 Attendance at Arapahoe Band Boosters meetings (.5 point per meeting attended – June 2015-April 2016)  
*\*This credit is offered to encourage student AND parent participation in the booster program*  
*List date(s) of attendance (both student and parent MUST attend meeting and sign attendance sheet for credit):*  
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**Any other items that you feel should be counted towards lettering (this is going "Above & Beyond")**

\_\_\_ 1 point per every 10 hours

Please explain the activity/fundraiser/performance, the amount of hours, and why you feel it should be considered as "Above & Beyond" (**please attach an additional sheet**) – ***please note that not all items are guaranteed to be approved.***

**Total Points/Awards**

BAND POINTS	GUARD POINTS	LETTERS EARNED
15	10	1
20	15	2
25	20	3
30	25	4 BEETHOVEN AWARD

To eliminate the need for a system of point transfer and archival record keeping, lettering points will not carry over from one year to the next. Each year the student must begin a new accumulation of points.

***I certify that, as of the due date for this application, the information provided is accurate. I understand that Mr. Funk has the option to void this application if the basic requirements or set value items are not maintained as of the date of the Performing Arts Award Ceremony.***

\_\_\_ Total Points

\_\_\_ Cloth Letter ( \_\_\_ Band \_\_\_ Guard)  
\*First letter only\*

\_\_\_ # of Gold Stars (each additional letter)

\_\_\_ Beethoven Award

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student Signature

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Parent Signature