



# FIRST STATE SYMPHONIC BAND (“FSSB”) MEMBER INFORMATION FORM

PERSONAL INFORMATION (PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY)							
FIRST NAME:		LAST NAME:					
ADDRESS:							
CITY:		STATE, ZIP:					
PHONE #:		ALT. PHONE:					
EMAIL:		FULL TIME STUDENT?	Y / N				
INSTRUMENT(S):							
EMERGENCY CONTACT NAME:			PHONE #				
POLO SHIRT SIZE:	X-SMALL	SMALL	MEDIUM	LARGE	X-LARGE	2X	3X

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT THE BAND: PLEASE READ CAREFULLY

### Membership

- Membership dues are required: \$35 for regular members; \$18 for student members. Collected during the month of October. Dues must be paid by the first Thursday in November; if dues are not received by then, you will not be permitted to rehearse for or perform in concerts.
- Members are encouraged to make additional contributions if they are able to assist with operational costs, new music fund, Endowment fund, or Memorial funds.
- FSSB is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization and all dues and donations are tax deductible.
- FSSB is governed by a nine-member Board of Directors that meets regularly.
- An annual band business meeting is held during a rehearsal, members will receive an email at least one week prior to the meeting to ensure attendance.

### Rehearsals

- Rehearsals are held each Thursday from 7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. at Ogletown Baptist Church. ***Downbeat is promptly at 7:30. Please arrive early!***
- **Members are expected to:**
  - Bring your music and music stand to each rehearsal.
  - Notify section leader of any absence – planned or unplanned.
  - Come to rehearsal prepared: learn/practice music on your own so that FSSB rehearsals may focus on fine-tuning each piece for performance.
  - **Folders and music are property of FSSB; please take good care of them!** Make marks in pencil only. Return music as it was received: in good condition, with any pencil markings erased. If you must leave FSSB, please promptly return all folders and music (or make arrangements to get them back to FSSB).
- Questions about your music should be directed to your section leader and/or our Music Director.

### Performances

- We play numerous concerts throughout the year – Christmas Concerts in Winter, Spring Concerts in Spring, and many outdoor concerts in the summer – these performances help fund the band and are all equally important.
- Members are expected to play in all concerts. Refer to the web site for scheduled performances and info for members.
- By joining FSSB, you are making a commitment to your fellow musicians to do your best to attend all concerts.
- In cases where you are unable to attend it is your responsibility to ensure your section leader is aware so all parts can be covered.
- Dress for performances: We strive for a professional appearance on stage.
  - Winter/Spring Concerts:
    - Gentlemen – black dress pants, black shirt, appropriate tie, black socks, black dress shoes. No visible white undershirt/tee shirt. No sneakers. Neck ties will sometimes be required (e.g. Christmas concerts), you will be given advance notice if needed.
    - Ladies – all black dress OR all black skirt/dress pants (no leggings) with all black dress shirt/blouse. No bare shoulders. Black dress shoes, closed toe. No sneakers. Accessories such as holiday jewelry & holiday scarves may be worn for Christmas performances – the band will be informed regarding accessories.

- Summer Concerts:
  - ALL – Dark slacks and blue FSSB polo shirt with dark socks and black dress shoes. No sandals and no sneakers.
  - FSSB monogrammed polos are available for purchase (\$25) – please see the President if there are any hardships – many members sponsor others.
- Members are responsible for bringing all required performance items – stand, music, stand light, etc.

We appreciate you joining FSSB and we're glad that you're with the band. You are responsible for reading the above information for awareness and we ask that you sign below indicating that your personal information is correct and that you're aware of the information.

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Member signs on above line