



The Redwood Marching Band & Color Guard  
*San Jose Veterans' Day Parade*

Monday, November 11<sup>th</sup>  
San Jose, California

Dear Marching Band & Color Guard Parents and Students,

Our performance in honor of our armed forces at the Veterans' Day Parade in San Jose is coming up next week (November 11 – a **MONDAY**). **Please be sure to check that uniform and shoes are ready to go. As always, hair must be neat and shoes need to be clean.**

Also, please note that we will be taking a professional group picture before we leave for this performance. If you are interested in ordering group and/or individual pictures, please fill out the order envelope sent/emailed home with your student.

*It is also highly recommended that your student comes with a healthy snack (**nut-free, please!!!**) for the bus ride. Notice that we perform around lunch time, so students will not have an official meal while they are with us. As we will be in uniform until we get back, please pack snacks that will not stain or dirty their uniforms if they are spilled.*

As always, we will need chaperones for this event. We cannot go anywhere without enough chaperones, so please consider chaperoning this event with us!

***Musicians: As we will not have an inspection during this parade, we will not need to “glue” hair to your heads. Please arrive, however, with a high pony tail that is able to be quickly rolled and tucked up into your shako.***

***Color Guard: If you will need to get your hair done at school, please be sure to bring your own hair brush, hair gel and hair ties!***

If you have concerns or questions, be sure to clear them up and get the answers as soon as possible.

Thank you!

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**\*\* \*\* \* THIS PAGE IS VERY IMPORTANT \* \*\* \*\* \*\***

## **Veterans' Day Parade Pre-Arrival Information**

Please take the time to review and understand the following information. Your support helps to ensure that we will have a successful Monday.

Please be sure that your student arrives at Redwood **no later** than **8:00 or 9:00 (depending on what pictures you are taking...see our schedule for more information)**, correctly dressed in uniform *INCLUDING YOUR MARCHING SHOES*. **\*\* NO MAKEUP, NAIL POLISH, JEWELRY, WATCHES, ETC. WHILE IN UNIFORM \*\***

### **MUSICIANS**

1. **REDWOOD BAND UNIFORM.** Wear athletic shorts and a dark-colored T-shirt underneath (not overly baggy).
2. **BLACK MARCHING SHOES AND ALL-BLACK SOCKS.** These shoes need to be used only for band performances, otherwise it will be impossible to keep them looking sharp and clean. PLEASE BE SURE TO HAVE ALL-BLACK CREW-LENGTH SOCKS.
3. **REDWOOD BAND SHAKOS (HATS)** will be distributed on the morning of the parade.
4. All students with long **hair** should arrive with a high pony tail. Having hair "glued" is not necessary for this event.
5. A complete change of clothes (don't forget shoes!) for free time and money for lunch.

### **COLOR GUARD**

1. **COLOR GUARD TIGHTS, PANTS AND TUNIC.**
2. **BLACK SOCKS.**
3. **BLACK COLOR GUARD SHOES** in your diddy bag.
4. **Optional: COLOR GUARD TANK.** (worn under your tunic)
5. **COLOR GUARD JACKET.**
6. **HAIR** should be arranged with two French braids and held back with gel or hairspray (no fly-aways!!!). *If you cannot get this done at home, arrive 15 minutes earlier in the morning with your hairbrush, gel, clean hair, center parted and combed down.*
7. **DIDDY BAG** (including water bottle, hair supplies, snack, change of clothes, day shoes, etc.)

**Please be sure to have all items prepared and ready when you arrive.** We do several final preparations as a group in the morning, so when students arrive late or improperly prepared, it delays us significantly as we have to fix individuals and go over everything once again. *Students should have the following things in hand when they arrive:*

- **a healthy (nut-free) snack** for the bus ride (this should hold students over until they go home for lunch)
- *note: please **do not bring** garment bags, changes of clothes, or daypacks as we will be coming straight home after completing the parade*

# Redwood Band & Color Guard

## San Jose Veterans' Day Parade Schedule 2013

**Monday, November 11, 2013**

8:00 AM ***If you are taking individual or buddy pictures:*** Arrive at Redwood completely and properly dressed with equipment in good working order (make sure that your friends for these pictures are present as well!)

Set up equipment for individual and/or buddy pictures

*Color guard: If you are in need of hair assistance, please arrive at this time to get this taken care of. Be sure to **bring your own hair brush, hair gel and hair ties.***

9:00 AM ***If you are NOT taking individual or buddy pictures:*** Arrive at Redwood completely and properly dressed with equipment in good working order

Follow instructions posted on the music room doors

9:15 AM Full-group picture

9:45 AM Warm up and meet chaperones

10:00 AM Load truck and buses, depart for Downtown San Jose

10:45 AM Report to formation

12:00 PM Parade begins

c. 1:00 PM Parade completed; load truck and buses

c. 1:30 PM Depart for Redwood

*(Students will give parents a "20 minutes until pick up" call as we pull onto campus)*

c. 2:00 PM Arrive back at Redwood; unload truck

c. 2:15 PM Band and Color Guard dismissed

## Chaperones

We cannot take this trip if we do not have enough chaperones. We are unable to do any of the great things that we do without *your* help!

Thank you for your enthusiasm and consideration!

Parents may sign up for chaperone and volunteer opportunities here:

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheet/ccc?key=0AmeizwqXXt71dGNmeE5oWFBXbE9Tb1pZOFM3VUNIdVE#gid=0>

If you have any questions about these opportunities, please contact our lead coordinators this year:

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