

Allouez Village Band Attendance Policy

The Allouez Village Band provides an opportunity for its members to study challenging concert band literature, to improve individual technique, to create music as an ensemble, and to bring excellent entertainment to our audiences and enjoyment to ourselves. Our Musical Director and Board of Directors have determined a primary requirement for attaining these goals: *predictable regular attendance*.

In order for the Band to continue to strive for musical excellence with a challenging repertoire, while recognizing the fact that we are a volunteer organization whose members have demanding personal schedules, we have established these fundamental expectations regarding attendance.

- Members are expected to attend rehearsals throughout the Band season. It is not possible to achieve ensemble mastery in the absence of a group that plays together regularly.
- If a member needs to miss a rehearsal or a performance, he/she is expected to notify the section manager as far in advance as possible.
- The rehearsals immediately before a concert are particularly important, so it is required that members attend the dress rehearsal and at least two of the three rehearsals preceding the dress rehearsal. If a member cannot satisfy this requirement, he/she will not play the concert. Exceptions will be made by the Musical Director.

As all Band members assume responsibility for their own attendance, the organization will continue to achieve its goals at increasingly higher levels.