

## LETTERING REQUIREMENTS

The Eldorado Band Letter encourages and acknowledges the “above and beyond” accomplishments of band students. It is for the students to take the EHS Band seriously and try to make it the best band it can be. This would include taking private lessons, being selected to honor groups, being an officer or section leader, getting “A”s and “B”s on all playing tests, earning an “A” for the first 5 weeks of the 6 week grading period, or performing a solo or ensemble at the District Solo and Ensemble Festival. Although we get very busy, making all of the performances, competitions and rehearsals are the basic expectations of the program and **are not** considered going beyond. Sometime in April, the Director will announce the date for lettering forms to be turned in. **ALL** students must submit a lettering form. A sample of this form follows on page 33. In order to be considered for a band letter, students must complete the required form and submit it to the Director. Letters are awarded at the annual Band Banquet.

A student will letter in band when you meet the following requirements:

- Be a member of the Golden Eagle Marching Band and **attend** the EHS Marching Band Camp. If you moved to Eldorado after marching season, the experience from your former school may be counted toward a letter.
- Maintain a 3.0 average in Zero hour and/or 1<sup>st</sup> Period bands
- Remain eligible every 6 weeks for entire year.
- Earn at least 475 performance points. **Points vary from year to year.**
- Accumulate at least 125 activity points

**NOTE: Any absence (excused or unexcused) from any festival, competition or concert performance cannot be made up and will effect lettering.**

A Color Guard letter may be earned by being a member of the EHS Marching Band and Winter Guard. Members must maintain a 3.0 average over 5 six week grading periods, have a great rehearsal attendance record, and attend all marching band and winter guard competitions.

A Jazz Band letter may be earned by maintaining a 3.0 grade average in jazz band class, attending all performances and competitions and **trying out for All-State Jazz Band.**

# EHS COLOR GUARD LETTERING FORM

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

**COLOR GUARD:** A Color Guard letter may be earned by being a member of the marching band Color Guard AND Winter Guard. Members must maintain a minimum of 3.0 GPA in those classes for all grading periods, have a near perfect attendance record (no more than 3 unexcused absences), attend all marching band and Winter Guard competitions.

## APPLYING FOR: COLOR GUARD LETTER

1<sup>ST</sup> YEAR LETTER

2<sup>ND</sup> YEAR, 3<sup>RD</sup> YEAR, OR 4<sup>TH</sup> YEAR BAR

### PART I: Please circle "yes" or "no" for the following questions.

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| 1. Have you been eligible all year?   | YES | NO |
| 2. Have you maintained a "3.0" in 0 hour?   | YES | NO |
| 3. Were you a member of the marching band?  | YES | NO |
| 4. Did you attend the EHS Summer Band Camp?   | YES | NO |
| 5. Did you participate in all of our competitions (both marching band <u>and</u> Winter Guard)? | YES | NO |
| • If No, was the absence excused* by the Director or Coach?                                     | YES | NO |
| 6. A percentage of attendance and tardies will be included.                                     |     |    |

\*Excused absences must occur in accordance with the *Request for an Excused Absence* as described in this handbook.

**IF YOU ANSWERED YES TO questions 1- 4 and one YES to the questions in 5 and 6, PLEASE GO ON TO PART II.**

### PART II: Your performance points. You need at least 500 pts.

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| 1. 3 Marching Competitions @ 100 pts each    | _____ |
| 2. 4 Winter Guard Competitions @ 25 pts each | _____ |
| 3. 2 Band and Guard Concerts @ 50 pts each   | _____ |

**TOTAL PERFORMANCE POINTS** \_\_\_\_\_

**ABSENCES FROM COMPETITIONS OR OTHER PERFORMANCES MAY AFFECT LETTERING. EXCESSIVE ABSENCES FROM REHEARSALS WILL AS WELL.**

**IF YOU HAVE A TOTAL OF 500 PERFORMANCE POINTS, PLEASE GO ON TO PART III, ACTIVITY AND SERVICE POINTS on the back of this page.**

**PART III: Your activity and service points. You need at least 100 pts.**

“A” average in guard all year	25 pts	_____
Attend Summer Spin Camp (Eldorado’s or other)	10 pts	_____
Attend 3 or more Summer Guard Practices	10 pts	_____
Attend EHS Band Camp	10 pts	_____
Member of band officers or section leader	15 pts	_____
Perform a Solo and/or Ensemble at a Winter Guard Invitational event (add 5 points for more than one event)	25 pts	_____
Take dance or movements classes outside of school for a minimum of 6 weeks during the current school year (10 pts per 6-week period)	50 pts max	_____
NAME OF TEACHER/STUDIO _____		
Attend Spring Trip	25 pts	_____
Service Points (10 per event/complete form below)		_____

**SERVICE POINT OPTIONS (check those that apply)**

- Volunteer for Albuquerque Jazz Festival \_\_\_\_\_
  - Record for District Choir, Guitar, Band, or Orchestra Fest \_\_\_\_\_
  - Run lights/sound at concerts \_\_\_\_\_
  - Assist with All State Auditions \_\_\_\_\_
  - John Baker Spring Fest \_\_\_\_\_
  - Extra (non-required) Band or Jazz Band Concerts attended – 5 pts per concert. \_\_\_\_\_
  - Live dance performances attended – 5 pts per concert. \_\_\_\_\_
- Please list the concerts and performances here:

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