

Jackson Liberty High School
“LIBERTY LION BAND”
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Varsity Letter Requirements

A Marching Band Varsity Letter is an honor bestowed based on actions and achievements reached during participation in two marching band seasons. It is not someone’s right to receive one just because he or she “didn’t do anything wrong”, and it is certainly not a measure of who is a “good person”! It is not something that is given to you, rather, it is earned through musicianship, attitude, good standings and participation.

The opportunity to proudly display your school colors as a member of the band through your Varsity Letter states that you have gone ‘above and beyond’ as a musician or colorguard member of the JLHS band program. To that end, the standards for earning a Varsity Letter will be rigorous, and the expectations high.

All Sophomores, Juniors and Seniors are eligible to earn a Varsity Letter. The following is a list of requirements:

1. You must be a member for at least two years, the entire length of each season.
2. You must attend all of band camp, (*8 days, 8 hours a day*) perform at all competitions, (every *Saturday & Sunday for 2 months*) football games, (*every Friday*) parades and other scheduled performances. (i.e.- pep-rallies)
3. You must have at least 90% attendance at practices. Members must practice with intent. The right attitude at rehearsal is one of the most important factors in this activity.
4. You must perform all music that is required for the marching band with an 90% or better.
5. You may not have any serious ISS or OSS referrals.
6. You may not have any unexcused absences from outside of practice, with no more than 2 excused absences per season. (explanation of excused absence, see JLHS handbook)
7. You must participate in at least two fundraisers **EVERY YEAR**.
8. Remain a member in good standing with the staff and have all activities fees paid.
9. A member must display sportsmanship and conduct which exemplify the school to his or her competition, spectators, band mates, and officials, and must conform to school rules/regulations.
10. You must write a one page essay on why you deserve a Varsity Letter.

****In the event of injury or other legitimate extenuating circumstances, varsity letters will be awarded on the recommendation of the director or staff member.**

****Receipt of a varsity letter is ultimately at the discretion of the band director.**

Student Signature

Parent Signature

Print Student Name