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**WJHS Band Uniform Accessories 2021   
“West Bag” Info:**

The WJHS Marching Band will be wearing “Compression Blacks” for the Fall 2021 marching season.   
This document lists what is required for your student.

1. **“West Bag”** - A small duffel bag for personal items such as your compression shorts and long sleeve top, socks, marching gloves, marching shoes, deodorant, hair ties, brush and hairspray. After each performance, make sure to rewash all wearable items, clean your shoes and repack the bag for the next performance.
2. **Black Compression Shirt** - Each student will need to purchase at least 1 “Under Armour” type compression shirt to wear at each performance. There are various brands that are similar- any is fine. You can find compression shirts in the men’s and women’s department at Walmart and Target or online. You may consider purchasing a long sleeve and short sleeve depending on the temperature throughout the marching season.
3. **Underwear**- Girls (**No thongs**). Panties with coverage to avoid lines in your uniform pants are a must! Boys (**No loose boxers**). You will need underwear that is close-fitting. Boxer briefs work best.
4. White or black compression pants/spandex bike shorts- **You may not wear just underwear under your uniform pants.**
5. Black knee-high **socks**. PLAIN, no colors or logos on them. No ankle or crew length, no skin can show when sitting.
6. Clean marching shoes - These will cost approximately $46.00 and will be ordered through the BPA. We will provide you with the information for ordering these shoes as soon as possible. When cleaning the shoes during the season, you may wipe with a damp cloth. **NEVER use shoe polish as it will crack your shoes.**
7. Clean gloves - New gloves are typically handed out twice per season. Any replacement gloves must be purchased by the students at a cost of approximately $2 a pair. Wash them at home after each wear and put in your “West Bag”. It’s best to let them hang dry. The dryer may shrink them. They are all cotton gloves. Dirty gloves may not be worn for performances and we prefer they not be left in shakos.
8. Label your items clearly with permanent marker (where it won’t show). This is helpful if items become lost. You can put your name on the inside of your shoes in at least 2 different places with a sharpie as well. A silver sharpie works best on the black shoes. Do not mark your initials on the soles or sides of your shoes!!!
9. All hair must be contained inside the shako. Rubber bands, bobby-pins and extra hair gel/spray will be used before each performance for longer hair (girls and boys). Boys with shorter hair will need to have a high, tight neckline, a cleaned-up neck with no facial hair. Please, make sure to wear plenty of deodorant….. you get sweaty. **Hair and makeup must be done prior to dressing in uniform. Hair sprays and gels are not good for the uniforms.**
10. No earrings or other jewelry will be worn, as well as colored nail polish. Please limit makeup to light cover-up, blush and some mascara if needed. Foundation causes terrible stains on the necks of the uniform jackets.
11. During colder months, we recommend white or black long underwear tops and bottoms. Walmart and Target carry them. Shop early or they may be sold out. Hand/body warmer packets can be found in the Walmart hunting section.
12. At this time, the specific dressing requirements (due to COVID guidelines) is still unknown. However, if students have to wash their own bibs at any time, the bibs are washing machine and dryer safe. After drying, please hang appropriately to store for the next performance.