

August 22, 2018

To: All Marching Band Members
From: The Uniform Moms
Re: Gloves, Spats, and Water Bottles

Post Game Reminders:

1. Students are responsible for taking home their Football Spats and Gloves after each football game.
2. Students are expected to return their Football Gloves and Spats **clean** and **dry** the following Monday.
3. Students are responsible for taking home their Water Bottle after each football game.
4. Students are expected to return their Water Bottle **clean** and **dry** the following Monday.
5. A portion of each student's grade is based on receiving Water Bottles, Spats, and Gloves back each Monday.

Hints for Perfect Gloves & Spats (& shoes)

(From the Uniform Moms)

Gloves:

Wash your gloves in detergent and all fabric bleach. DO NOT use chlorine bleach. When taking them out of the washer, put your (clean) hands in them to reshape them. Air Dry them (in sunshine is best). DO NOT place them in the dryer as they will shrink. Avoid putting wet and /or damp gloves into the plastic bag – this will cause mold to form. (mold = bad)

Spats:

For Clean Spats, use Soft Scrub cleanser on a moist towel. The abrasive will generally clean any marks from the surface. A “Mr. Clean” sponge works well too. For major scuff marks, see the Uniform Moms.

Shoes:

Use a toothbrush and water, Windex, or a mild cleaner to clean the ridges above the soles of your shoes and around the laces. Then use black shoes polish to make the shoe look uniform. Let the shoe dry before placing back in the shoe box.

Don't forget your solid black socks!

Suggestions on how to avoid having Gloves and Spats Rejected on Mondays:

1. Allow at least 12 hours for gloves to air dry after being laundered.
2. Always use clean materials such as sponges, towels, or Mr. Clean erasers on Spats. This will prevent any leftover brown water marks from being left behind.
3. Do not assume that a ‘Black’ mark is permanent. Push down really hard as you try to clean it 2 – 3 times. If there is no change in the color of the spot, please see a Uniform Mom on Monday prior to turning them in.

Please know that the Uniform Mom’s will reject all Wet Gloves and Dirty Spats if this is how we find them at check in on Mondays. We encourage all students to take ownership and do what is expected.

Students are always more than welcome to come and talk with the Uniform Moms if they have a question or need help cleaning their Gloves and Spats.

We spend quite a lot of time checking these items and we only reject those, which do not meet the Cleaning Guidelines.

Please feel free to contact us should you have any questions at uniformcoordinator4srvwt@gmail.com

Sincerely,
The Uniform Moms