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Parents,

Some issues came up this weekend with marching band uniforms and I want to take this opportunity to clarify our policies once again...

1. Students are NOT allowed to eat while wearing their white wool band jackets. The only liquid allowed while wearing a band jacket is plain water. This past football game, students came into the commons with food and soda and wanted to put on their uniforms with those items still present. All food and drinks must be consumed and the containers thrown away BEFORE the students get their band uniform. Band jackets cost approximately \$350 each (the total uniform is around \$700 each) and any jacket that is irrecoverably stained or soiled due to the student's negligence will be the student's responsibility to replace.
2. The district business office has only agreed to pay for one dry cleaning per year for the uniforms. That dry cleaning for all uniforms occurs in the summer. Any other cleaning that is required is the responsibility of the student who was wearing the uniform at the time the soiling occurred. Uniform jackets and pants are dry clean only. The best way to clean mud from pants is to wait for them to dry and then brush the mud off with a stiff brush.
3. Shoes are NOT to be kept in the uniform bags. They leave dirt and mud smears on the jackets and it will then be the student's responsibility for those smears to be cleaned up. Putting shoes in the bags also causes damage to the hat eagles and may cause the student to be responsible for replacing the hat (we cannot buy new eagles from the supplier - only whole hats).

Thanks for your cooperation with this! We want these uniforms to last for a long time to come!

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