

## **"Santa Fe High School Band" / W.E.M.E.A.- Band Parent Organization**

### **Code of Conduct**

WEMEA Board Members, WEMEA Members, Parents, Volunteers acknowledge that the Edmond Santa Fe High School (ESFHS) Band/Music program is under the sole direction of the Director or his designate ie... Associate Directors and Clinicians.

*WEMEA Board Members, WEMEA Members, Parents, Volunteers must, during any School/Band event, conduct themselves in a manner that is Positive in nature and is not negative towards any Band Member, Director, School Administrator, Edmond Public School (EPS) Employee, and not negative in nature toward any band in competition with the ESFHS Band. This code shall apply at all times while attending or assisting at events at which ESFHS Band is present in whole or part as an organization whether it be in competition, practice, or demonstration. It is imperative that all such Board Members, WEMEA Members, Parents, Volunteers behave in a way that does not taint or discredit "Edmond Santa Fe High School Band."*

By their involvement in the activities of ESFHS Band, each WEMEA Board Member, WEMEA Member, Parent, Volunteer agrees:

- I. To abide by this Code of Conduct and accept responsibility for their family members and guests including: Demonstrating positive support for all band members, Directors and School Administrators at all band or school functions.
- II. To support the Directors and Administrators working with band students, in order to encourage a positive and enjoyable experience for all.
- III. To refrain from inappropriate and /or irresponsible behavior at a band function or inappropriate and /or irresponsible behavior by a band parent/volunteer directed towards a Director, Associate Director, Administrator, EPS employee, parent volunteer or band member.
  - A. Such prohibited conduct may consist of:
    1. Offensive or profane language or gestures;
    2. Public criticism of a band member, parent, volunteer, WEMEA Board Member, Band Director, Associate Band Director, Clinician, Administrator, EPS employee.
    3. Consumption or possession of alcohol, or the illegal use of drugs at any band function or at any time at the school or at a school event.
    4. Use of tobacco products and the consumption of said product must be in accordance with school policies and location regulations.

- B. Any such conduct in violation should be reported as soon as practical to a Director, Associate Director and /or WEMEA Board Member.

**WEMEA does not condone or authorize a parent/volunteer to take action to physically restrain another parent/volunteer/guest or to undertake any corrective or punitive action against a parent/volunteer/guest for violation of these policies.**

IV. Conduct towards band members:

- A. In the event that a parent/volunteer observes dangerous or destructive conduct by a band member, the parent/volunteer may verbally direct the cessation of such conduct and the band member's conduct must be reported to a Director, Associate Director and/or to a WEMEA Board Member, however,

**WEMEA does not condone or authorize a parent member to take physical action to restrain a band member or to undertake any corrective or punitive action against a band member.**

- V. Violations of these policies may result in the exclusion from WEMEA sponsored events, the band's setup location at contests and from school property (if so determined by appropriate EPS school administrators).

The goal of this policy is to clarify the expectations of good sportsmanship and the roles of parents/volunteers when present at band functions.