

2020 Decatur Middle School Winter Color Guard Cost Breakdown

\$12-14 Member shirt- This is a shirt that is designed for the middle school color with theme displayed on the front of the shirt. Color Guard Spirit order forms will be sent home with your child. I highly encourage you as a parent to support your child and purchase a t-shirt as well.

\$300.00 Rehearsal Fee- The rehearsal fee will cover the cost of the staff, and equipment that will be used for the color guard. This fee needs to be paid by January 22nd, 2020. This fee can be split up into 6 payments of \$50.00 as long as it is paid in full by the February 28th before the last competition. If you can't afford \$50 a month, I suggest paying by the week an amount that works in your budget. September 26th the first payment of \$50 is due as a commitment fee to be in the **2020 Show**.

\$20.00 Convention Fee- The 2019-20 Decatur Middle School Color Guard will be attending the 2019 IHSCGA winter guard convention. The 2019 convention fee of \$20.00 needs to pay by October 25, 2019 and is a non-refundable fee, this cost includes a t-shirt for the final performance. The convention is held at Mooresville eastern on November 23rd, 2019. All money will need to be turned into the **black box** with your **child's name** and **IHSCGA Clinic** marked on the front of the envelop.

Decatur Middle School Cadet Color Guard Winter Schedule

See attached calendar for details

Decatur Middle School Cadet Color Guard Winter Rehearsal Times:

Will meet at **DTSE**. Enter through the front door at the stairs. please refer to calendar that is attached for rehearsal date details.

Decatur Middle School Cadet Performance dates:

February 1, 2020-New Palestine High School (all day)

February 8, 2020-Zionsville High School (all day)

February 22, 2020-Brownsburg High School (all day)

February 28, 2020-Northview High School (all day)

March 14, 2020-Divisional Finals- TBA (al day)

It is very important that your child attends as many rehearsals as possible. It will become hard to keep up if they continually miss. If you pay your \$50.00 and your student decides to quit or has attendance issue; they \$50.00 **will not** be refunded. Equipment will already be ordered for your child and **CAN NOT** be returned as it is all custom ordered.

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2020 Decatur Central Color Guard Expectations

Listed below is a list of exception required to be a member of the 2019-20 Decatur Middle School Winter Guard. These exceptions will help you be a successful member of the color guard if they are followed. Being a member is a hard job, and hard work, you will be given instructional information to be success. As a member you will have to practice outside of rehearsal and will be only as good as the effort you put into the activity. Color guard is an activity that does feature individuals from time to time, and these are the individuals who have been in the program for more than a 1 year, and they have dedicated many hours of practice outside of color guard schedule rehearsal.

- Show up to rehearsal on time (15 minutes early)
- Know your schedule
- Maintain good attendance
- Have a positive attitude
- Maintain passing grades C- or higher
- Always come to practice prepared
 - Water Bottle
 - Proper Equipment
 - Flags (performance equipment is only used on Thursday evenings and at performances)
 - Weapon- rifle should always be brought to rehearsal
 - Gloves (write your name on the tag)
 - Props that you are responsible for that need to be brought set up at the beginning of rehearsal promptly.
- Keep your weapons in good condition- you are responsible to tape and maintain your weapon for color guard. You must purchase the white tape from Matt.
- Flags must be kept nice as well. Tips, cheaters and silk connection must be keep maintain by you the member. (You will be taught how to do this)
- Be respectful to all staff member, parent's and members
- Always represent DMS and DMWG with pride and distinctiveness.
- Keep color guard storage area as neat and clean as you possibly can.
- Do not over commit yourself. Color Guard takes a lot of time to prepare for the upcoming season.
- Uniform is to be stored properly
 - Hung up on the hanger and zipped up.
 - Keep uniform box clean as well, this isn't a personal items storage area.

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