

## **Fall Sports Policy - Westlake High School Band**

Fall sport athletes may opt out of marching band if they feel it is too much to handle marching band and the fall sport. We have students in almost every fall sport that do march so we certainly encourage you to consider doing both!

Any band student playing a fall sport at Westlake High School who has decided to opt out of marching band will spend 1<sup>st</sup> quarter in band in small group ensembles. This band will meet in the choir room and will focus on musical fundamentals and small ensemble work. Instructors will go over course objectives and requirements with you when you meet on the first day of school. This class will also be available for students who cannot participate in marching band for medical reasons. If for some reason a student does not complete the fall season in a sport they would be required to finish the season in marching band.

Full band rehearsals begin August 7. . Please notify Mrs. Patriok as soon as possible if you are playing a fall sport at Westlake High School and would like to opt out of marching band. Fall sports students are still welcome to participate in both activities and should communicate with their coach and Mrs. Patriok about sharing practice time. It is important that we know if you are participating in marching band so that we can prepare for the season.

Complete this form and return it to Mrs. Patriok's mailbox at school if you will be opting out of marching band. **Sports students who will be participating in marching band do not need to complete this form!**

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Instrument \_\_\_\_\_

Fall Sport Participating in \_\_\_\_\_

Coach Name \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_