



# Burke High School Band Leadership Application



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Welcome and thank you for showing an interest in being a part of the student leadership team! We hope you will find the application process to be interesting and enriching regardless of the outcome. This application represents a significant departure from the standard way of selecting student leaders. In addition, as part of this application, there will also be a round of interviews for all leadership as well as a formal audition for drum majors. If you have any questions about the process or your application, please do not hesitate to contact Mr. Brubaker or Ms. Bock at any time. Good luck, and work hard to best represent yourself through this process.

Your candidacy will be judged on the following criteria:

- Past performance
- Quality of your application
- Future leadership potential
- Best fit for the individual and organization

When completing the application, be thorough, complete, creative, and honest. Don't say what you think we might want to hear. Say what you really think. Leaders are people who can offer something new and different to the organization. This application process is structured so that you will gain insights into yourself as a person, so please be honest and thorough. You need to open up and show what you truly are or what you aspire to be. Whether you are chosen for the position you apply for is not the ultimate point. Dig deep inside, answer the questions, and complete the service project with the intent of learning something new. Please do not fill out this application unless you are prepared to participate in the leadership training process.

Positions available:

- Drum Major
- Section Leader
- Rank Leader
- Captain
- Member at large

Applications due:

All applications must be completed and all elements turned in by Thursday, February 21. Please be prompt and professional with your application. All positions will need to interview with Mr. Brubaker and Ms. Bock. Drum majors will need to prepare a conducting audition in addition to application and interview.

When submitting:

Please make sure that all elements are enclosed in one package and are clearly labeled with your name. Any elements of your submission that you would like returned need to be labeled as such. All applications must be typed. Failure to do so will result in the return of the application to the applicant.

Rules for #5:

HAVE FUN WITH THIS. There will be no class time given unless approval from Mr. Brubaker and Ms. Bock is given prior to the event.

- No scavenger hunts
- Do not set time restrictions
- Anything you do, you must be willing to undo



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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

(Attach this page to your application)

Position(s) applying for: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Current GPA: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

1. Please provide a resume. Be sure to highlight your past leadership roles and experiences.
2. On a separate piece of paper, please answer the following questions:
  - a. What are your greatest personal strengths?
  - b. What are some areas in which the organization could improve, and how would you improve them?
3. Interview someone on your campus (student, faculty, or administrator) and ask the person for their views on leadership. What did you learn from your conversation? How are their views different from yours?

Complete the following projects:

4. Complete a service project for the organization. The scope and duration of the project are at your discretion. You may choose something that you think needs to be done, or you may ask a director for a project. If you have any questions about the validity of your chosen project, please speak with the director prior to starting it.
5. Open forum: this is where you have the opportunity to show your creative side and impress us. You may do anything that you deem appropriate to convince us that you are able to “think outside the box” and address issues in a different manner. This is the portion of the application where you should expect to learn the most about yourself as an individual. Therefore, take a risk here. Once again, this should be fun for you and the organization.

Please understand that if chosen, you will be held to a higher standard of behavior, performance, and work ethic than your peers. You must be willing to make that sacrifice so that others around you may succeed. Serving in this capacity will not only provide others with a better experience, but will provide you with a tremendous growth opportunity that will serve you for years to come.

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(Student signature)

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(Parent/guardian signature)