

**Crescenta Valley High School**  
**Visual and Performing Arts Department**  
*Drum Line Supplement*  
**2015-2016**

Drum Line is a Fall Semester "sub group" within the Marching Band music class for the student who has had previous training in music. Drum Line is an auditioned group consisting of Battery (Snare, Bass, Tenors and Cymbals) and the 'Pit' Front Ensemble (Mallet Instrument, Keyboards, Auxiliary percussion, Set, Guitar). Drum Line will also count towards one semester of PE Credit as well as fine arts credit.

Drum Line is a great privilege and an enriching experience for all. It offers an emotionally rewarding experience when everyone practices and does their best to achieve mastery on their instrument. It takes great commitment.

Second semester, students in Drum Line will learn concert band literature and perform in festivals and other school concerts. Many students will be expected to play wind instruments so that proper percussion balance will be maintained. Occasionally, the Drum Line will be required to perform second semester for a "gig" or special performance.

### **Additional Drum Line Requirements**

- Students are to obtain a folder with sheet protectors and keep all music organized and bring it with them at every rehearsal along with a pencil.
- Music will be available online via the Facebook page or at [www.falconmusic.org](http://www.falconmusic.org)
- 2-3 Weekday afternoon rehearsals are mandatory until the second week of December. See attached calendar and visit our website for specific times and dates.
- Attendance at rehearsals and performances are expected in order to participate on the line. We will evaluate absences on a case-by-case basis for the overall benefit of the entire line.
- Students are expected to practice on their own in order to learn parts. Rehearsals are designed to balance and refine sections or large groups once students have learned their parts.
- Students will be expected to observe appropriate rehearsal etiquette in order to maximize learning.
- Students who are struggling musically will be told two weeks prior to a performance or competition that they have a week to improve to the level of the rest of the section. If they are still struggling within a week, they will not perform at the next event. The drum coaches and Mr. Schick will decide if a student will not perform. Students who do not perform will be expected to travel and support the rest of drum line. The drum coaches will reinstate students once they show they have improved enough to perform at the level of the rest of the line.
- Mr. Schick and the Drum Staff will make the final decisions regarding playing at competitions and performances. Any disagreements must be made respectfully to Mr. Schick.
- Every student is responsible for his or her own assigned instrument and equipment. General maintenance will be taught and students will be expected to routinely inspect their own instrument and report any issues immediately.

The following items must be purchased for Band camp and the Fall Season. (Order Form will be provided during band camp)

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| ○ <i>Black Marching Shoes - \$32.00</i>           | ○ <i>Uniform Rental - \$50.00</i>              |
| ○ <i>Black Crew Socks - \$5.00</i>                | ○ <i>Band Camp Coaches - \$200.00</i>          |
| ○ <i>Black Wristbands - \$5.00</i>                | ○ <i>Fall Coaches-\$160 (can be paid 80X2)</i> |
| ○ <i>Music Polo Shirt - \$25.00</i>               | ○ <i>Event Food - \$75.00</i>                  |
| ○ <i>Field Show T-Shirt - \$15.00</i>             | ○ <i>ASB Card - \$40.00</i>                    |
| ○ <i>Instrument Rental - \$50 Yr or \$30 Sem.</i> |  |

All checks should be made out to **CVIM** with "Drumline" and STUDENTS NAME in the Memo line. If you need help with funding or wish to make monthly contributions, contact Mr. Schick. We will not deny any participation to any student if they are unable to contribute.

**I agree to the following guidelines set forth for Drum Line and will do my best to uphold the tradition, honor and commitment expected from all members of the Instrumental Music Program.**

_____ Student Name	_____ Signature	_____ Date	_____ Parent Name	_____ Signature	_____ Date
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