



# **Somerset Berkley Regional High School “Blue Raider” Marching Band**



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Dear Parent/Guardian of a SBRHS “Blue Raider” Marching Band Member,

It is very important that all students make all rehearsals to give the entire ensemble the best chance to develop their best performance at each show, parade and/or competition; which is why we set the schedule far in advance. Penalties for unexcused absences and less than two-week, written parental notification of absences will be dealt with by the Marching Band Director and/or the Coordinator of Fine and Performing Arts. One person unexpectedly missing during a rehearsal can cost the ensemble hours in review during the next rehearsal due to the nature of writing drill, routines and memorizing music. However, I understand when emergencies, major family-scheduled events and/or doctor’s appointments are unavoidable. **Therefore, this form is intended to inform the marching band staff of EMERGENCY / UNAVOIDABLE SITUATIONS ONLY that would constitute an excused absence.** Thank you for your understanding and support of this valuable program.

David M. Marshall  
 SBRHS “Blue Raider” Marching Band Director

## **“Blue Raider” Marching Band Excused Absence Notification**

**Student Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

<u>Date of Absence</u>	<u>Reason for Absence</u>	<u>Parent Signature</u>
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*(For Official Use ONLY)*

**Received and approved by:** \_\_\_\_\_  
 (David M. Marshall – Coordinator of the Fine and Performing Arts / Director of Bands ONLY)

**Date received:** \_\_\_\_\_      **APPROVED / REQUIRES FURTHER COORESPONDANCE**  
 (Circle one)

**APPROVAL / NON-APPROVAL EXPLANATION:** \_\_\_\_\_

*(a copy of the approved absence will be given back to the student and/or parent as verification of receipt)*