

# Quince Orchard High School Color Guard Frequently Asked Questions

## **What is Color Guard?**

Color guard is a dance-based activity that uses props such as flags and weapons to provide the visual representation of the marching band's music.

## **What skills do I need?**

No previous skill needed! All skills will be taught during practice sessions, but all members are expected to work outside of practice on their skills.

## **What are secret buddy bags and what do I need to do for them?**

Secret buddy bags have been a tradition in QOHS color guard for several years. Each member has the opportunity to learn about another member of the squad. Items are placed in a bag such as snacks, notes and other fun things and then delivered to the secret buddy sometime during school before an important marching band event. Because members participate in this activity 2-3 times throughout the season, we ask that the cost stay under \$15.

## **What accessories do I need?**

All flags, weapons and uniforms are funded by the marching band and will not need to be purchased. However, gloves and shoes are mandatory to purchase. Shoes must be black and easy to dance in. If questionable ask the instructor. The split sole jazz shoe from [bandshoppe.com](http://bandshoppe.com) is the most highly recommended.

Average cost:

Gloves: \$10-\$15 per pair

Black Shoes: \$30-\$40 per pair