**Purpose of Interest/Pre-Commit Form?** 2017 PVWG planning and design are currently well under way! In order to offer the strongest product and experience to you, the members, I need to have an idea of who will be involved.
**Why Pre-Commit?** Because you ***want*** to be in the group and/or want to spread your dues payments out over a longer time frame. ***YOU DO NOT HAVE TO PAY TO PRE-COMMIT! (But it is highly encouraged)*Who can/should join?** Anyone! We take both new and returning members.
***(Returning guard members will have to audition for a position in PVWG, and may be placed in PJVWG after these auditions.).*
What do we do?** Spin Equipment, Dance, Rehearse, Perform, etc. in a smaller more intense setting, and to push yourself to the limit and beyond! It is not about whether you are a percussionist, but whether you want to work at the highest level!
**When do we do it?** Early/Mid-November you will see the FINAL commitment forms.
November: Auditions on the 21st, 1 Monday rehearsal 3:00-8:00pm
December: Mondays and Fridays from 3:00-8:00pm, 2 Saturday Camps
January: Mondays and Fridays from 3:00-8:00pm, 2 Saturdays on being a Weekend Intensive to complete the show.
February: Mondays and Fridays from 3:00-8:00pm, plus Saturday rehearsals and shows.
March and April: Mondays and Fridays from 3:00-8:00pm plus Saturday rehearsals and shows.

**How Many?** 2017 PVWG has ***up to*** 14 positions available: 7 Rifles and 7 Flags  **How Much does it Cost?** 2017 PVWG Dues are $750. Why the change? We are preforming in WGI World Championships this year, and in order to continue to offer the highest quality ensemble must adjust each season as appropriate to remain solvent. Remember three things: 1.The fee gets you (uniform, travel, music, drill, and floor) 2. Exceptions makeup, uniform supplies, food on trips, possible one night stay in a hotel, and Dayton World Class Finals tickets. 3. This fee is STILL LESS than your peer groups in this region/nationally (ex. Freedom HS pays $1,200). We will also talk about fundraising, and sponsorship letters, etc.
**Why do Indoor Guard?**  Because you want to challenge yourself to compete on the National level and
*Be Your Best* doing it! What is the advantage of Pre-Commitment Pay Schedule***?***

Nov. $100

Dec. $100

Jan. $125

Feb. $125

Mar. $150

April. $150

**Total $750\****You can spread the payments out – no worries! \*Dues Total subject to adjustment based on membership numbers and travel expenses. All dues are due by April 1, 2017.* ***Students with Dues in arrears from previous seasons will not be able to participate until paid. Members with unpaid dues will not travel until paid in full.***

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Equipment for Auditions \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

I am Pre-Committing to the 2017 Powhatan Varsity Winter Guard (PVWG). This pre-commitment does not guarantee my desired position in the ensemble but reserves a spot in the design. I understand that this Pre-Commitment is not the final Commitment Form for the 2017 PVWG, and that dues paid prior to final commitment can be refunded if requested prior to the final commitment date (Dec. 2, 2016).
 Student Name \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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

The season runs from November – April 9th. Please note that winter sports begin in November and spring sports begin in February. If you plan on playing a sport (not recommended), please ensure sports schedules do not conflict with the indoor guard schedule before committing to membership. You will not be allowed to miss indoor guard rehearsals to attend sports practice or events.

**The Tentative Schedule**:
(Please be prepared for this to change as we adjust with activities schedule. We will notify you as far in advance as possible!)

November –

Weekdays: 21\* 28 19\* 24

 \*Auditions
December –

Weekdays: 2 5 9 12 16

Weekends: 3 (Choreography Camp) 17 (Staging Camp)

Holiday: 19 (TBA Mat Painting)

January –

Weekdays: 2 6 9 13 16 20 23 27 30

Weekends: 14\* 28\*

 \*Clinic/Drill Weekend

February –

Weekdays: 3 6 10 13 17 20 24 27

Weekends: 11\*\* 25\*\*

 \*\*Show Weekend TBD

March –

 Weekdays: 3 6 10 13 17 20 24 27 31

 Weekends 4\*\* 11\*+ 18\*\* 25\*

 \*\*WGI Guard Regional \*Rehearsal/Show Weekend TBA +SAT Date

April –

 Weekdays: 3 4 5\*\*\* 6\*\*\* 7\*\*\*

 Weekends: 1\* 8\*\*\* 9\*\*\*

\*AIA Championships TBD \*\*\*WGI World Championships

TBD May – Spring Guard Performance (Arts Explosion)

This is an intense but manageable schedule. The dates listed above are mandatory and necessary for our success, and absences will not be accepted except in cases of emergencies (conflicts such as work, sports and family vacations are **not** excusable). We are providing these important dates for you so you can make decisions and schedule time appropriately. PVWG is a competitive extra-curricular activity, much like a school sports team, and those who choose to participate will be expected to show a high level of commitment to the program.

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