Winter Guard Proposal

Purpose and Goal(s)

- The purpose and goal of creating a Winter Guard program is to increase interest and bring aboard more students to our color guard (for marching band).
- Build confidence in our students to perform in front of an audience.
- To enhance relationships between students; performing/working together as a team.
- Future goals in the upcoming years would be to compete in different competitions around
 the Tri-State area and potentially (hopefully) bring home hardware to display and then
 eventually have a large enough and competitive program to compete in WGI
 competitions.

• Plan to Support Goal

- I propose that we begin with a Winter Guard after school on Wednesday afternoons from 2:00pm 3:00pm for rehearsal/practice in the gymnasium at the high school.
- This will be open to <u>all</u> students interested.

Evidence

- Over the summer/fall of 2016, I was the marching band color guard instructor. Having some experience from high school myself I felt that I could help them with basics and improve little by little throughout the season.
- With the four middle school 7th grade girls that had never picked up a flag before band camp; then walking away with a first place trophy their first year was such an accomplishment! I'd like to continue with them to help them improve even more. Students were very receptive to the new idea of a winter guard program and want to strive to go further.
 - I've already had a handful of upper classmen wanting to join the Winter Guard program. Seeing awards and accomplishments brings attention and the "want" is there.

Accommodations from Administration

- Continued collaboration and communication with the band director.
- Shared feedback from the board and other parties about winter guard productions
- Access for students to the building from 2:00-3:00pm for rehearsals/meetings
- Stipend of \$350 for the additional hours of time outside of school for rehearsals, promotions, advertising, fundraising, and producing the show.

• Budget of \$0 for the Winter Guard Program for the 2016-2017 school year. All flag poles, silks, rifles, sabres, costumes, etc. that will be needed will be raised by doing fundraisers.