

# **Mighty Tiger Band**

## **"It's All About PRIDE"**

**You know you have been in band too long when . . . .**

- 1. You begin to think the helmets are kinda cool.**
- 2. You wish you owned one.**
- 3. Someone behind you says "band nerd" and you turn around.**
- 4. You fall over (holding your instrument), smacking you head on concrete in the process, and are more worried about your instrument than yourself (of course that might be your concussion talking).**
- 5. You think you band t-shirt is "pretty".**
- 6. You constantly wear it in public.**
- 7. You have all the band shirts you have ever gotten in the back of your closet.**
- 8. And you would not give them up for anything!**
- 9. You still have the music from last year memorized.**
- 10. The term "this one time at band camp" does not offend you anymore.**
- 11. And you think it is kinda funny when you hear someone say it.**
- 12. Seeing people empty out their spit valves on the floor isn't gross anymore.**
- 13. You roll your feet when walking down the hall.**
- 14. You sit in class practicing your fingerings on your pencil.**
- 15. The last sentence didn't sound "dirty" to you.**
- 16. You are standing at attention and your drum major could start scratching her butt without you reacting.**
- 17. You are always in step with the person in front of you even in the line for the bathroom.**
- 18. You can actually sight read.**
- 19. You band could kick the football team's butt.**

- 20. And it is a well known fact you could.**
- 21. You know your instrument is the best.**
- 22. You slap others for saying otherwise.**
- 23. Marching over someone who is unconscious after being smacked by a flag is normal.**
- 24. Band is not just an extracurricular activity; it is a way of life.**
- 25. You can relate to this stuff.**
- 26. You get seriously insulted whenever someone talks about how all the band does is "walk around".**
- 27. And spend at least an hour telling (yelling) at them otherwise.**
- 28. Until they start to cry and say "ok, ok, just please let me go home".**
- 29. You can stare directly into the sun for hours without going blind.**
- 30. Because you do it everyday during marching season.**
- 31. You respond more to the name of your instrument than your actual name.**
- 32. Anyone who thinks band isn't fun is from another planet.**
- 33. You snap to attention when someone starts clapping.**
- 34. People do this a lot because it is funny to see "the band chicks and dudes doing the funny attention thing".**
- 35. You only have band pictures.**
- 36. Other bands suck because you say they do.**
- 37. Unless you have a friend in them and then they are ok, but your band is still 100 percent better. (DUH)**
- 38. It doesn't hurt when a trombone, flag, drum stick, etc. smacks you on the head, you are used to it.**
- 39. Walking without lifting your toes is weird to you.**
- 40. You can tune any instrument be ear, even tuba!**
- 41. Piccolos don't seem that loud anymore.**
- 42. You no longer shudder when the flutes play without being tuned first.**
- 43. People can tell you apart from non band people because of your noticeable farmers tan.**
- 44. Anyone who makes fun of the band in front of you walks away with a sore butt.**
- 45. Because you kicked it.**
- 46. You write "band nerd" on everything you own, even your underwear.**
- 47. Breaks are for whimps – ONLY THE STRONG SURVIVE!**
- 48. You hear music and start marking time.**

49. You actually like the taste of reeds
50. You randomly start humming your band show during lunch, no matter how much people around you complain.
51. When "armed guard" means girl with flag instead of guy with gun.
52. You have been to fifty football games and don't remember anything except the middle of them.
53. Everyone around you cheers about something a football player does and you go "huh?"
54. You actually believe your band director when he says "ok, one more time". **YEAH RIGHT**
55. You begged your band director to let you keep your uniform so you could wear it to your older sister's wedding.
56. You give your instrument a name, talk to it, and you tell it your problems.
57. You seriously believe it answers you.
58. One of your screen names has something to do with band.
59. When you like wearing your uniform.
60. When everyone wants to kill the other football team and you want to kill the other band.
61. When you have a neck strap tan line.
62. When you listen to the radio and think that would make an awesome song for next years show.
63. When being a "band nerd" is better than being a "jock".
64. When you wear your band shirt on non-game days.
65. When you live by the motto "to be on time is to be late".
66. When breaking a reed is worse than breaking a nail.
67. When you call your band director "dad".
68. When you try to be better than your brother/sister who was a former drum major.
69. When you spend all your spare time in the band hall, even if you don't have class.
70. When you try to be better than your director.
71. When you think that you are better than your section leader.
72. When you quit band, but still try to hang out in the band hall with your only friends the "band nerds".
73. When you cry at night because you are not wearing your uniform.
74. When all your friends are band people.

- 75. When there is a fire drill and you choose to save your instrument instead of yourself.**
- 76. When in the summer you practically move into the band hall.**
- 77. When in class you demand music instead of work.**
- 78. When passing all of your classes does not just benefit you, but the entire band. ("Go to class, Pass your class")**

**This is an on going list. If you have a saying you would like considered for adding, e-mail Mr. LeMarr on the drum line page and he will give it some thought.**