

COST OF BAND

AWESOME ISN'T CHEAP

THE SCHOOL DISTRICT AND SCHOOL PROVIDE THE WHHS BAND WITH A FRACTION OF WHAT IS NECESSARY TO OPERATE A BAND PROGRAM OVER THE COURSE OF THE YEAR.

WE MUST RAISE OUR OWN FUNDS TO COVER THE MAJORITY OF THE COST OF EQUIPMENT AND EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE, TRANSPORTATION, AND NUMEROUS OTHER EXPENSES. THE WHHS BAND BOOSTERS SERVE AS THE FUNDRAISING AND SUPPORT ORGANIZATION FOR THE BAND PROGRAMS.

IT IS THE PHILOSOPHY OF THE WADE HAMPTON HIGH SCHOOL BAND THAT NO STUDENT SHOULD BE DENIED THE PRIVILEGE OF BAND MEMBERSHIP DUE TO FINANCIAL HARDSHIP.

FOR OPTIONS IN MEETING FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS, PARENTS SHOULD CONTACT THE BAND DIRECTOR.

FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

EACH BAND FAMILY IS RESPONSIBLE FOR PAYING/RAISING

STUDENT 1 = \$600 STUDENT BAND FEES

**ADDITIONAL STUDENT IN SAME FAMILY = \$300 STUDENT
BAND FEES**

- WHILE THESE FEES MAY SEEM HIGH, THERE ARE SEVERAL OPTIONS TO REDUCE THE AMOUNT OWED.

EXPLANATION OF FEES

- PART OF FEES COVER ITEMS WORN OR USED BY THE STUDENT WHICH WILL BECOME THE STUDENT'S PROPERTY AT THE END OF THE SEASON.
 - THE FIRST \$200 MUST BE PAID FOR EACH STUDENT BY THE BEGINNING OF BAND CAMP TO COVER ITEMS ORDERED IN THE SUMMER.
 - *IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO PAY THE FIRST \$200 OF BAND FEES BY THE BEGINNING OF BAND CAMP, PLEASE SPEAK WITH THE BAND DIRECTOR AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.*
- FEES ARE ALSO USED FOR BAND-RELATED EXPENSES SUCH AS INSTRUCTIONAL STAFF, TRANSPORTATION, EQUIPMENT PURCHASE AND REPAIR, FOOD, AND VARIOUS OTHER EXPENSES.

SCHEDULE FOR PAYMENTS

FEES SHOULD BE PAID ON THE FOLLOWING SCHEDULE:

July 30	August 30	September 30	October 30
\$200 (can be reduced by sponsorships)	\$200 (can be reduced by sponsorships)	\$100 (can be reduced by volunteering)	\$100 (can be reduced by fruit sales)

PAY EARLY & PAY LESS

- FAMILIES MAY ALWAYS OPT TO PAY THE STUDENT BAND FEES UP FRONT AND OUT-OF-POCKET RATHER THAN PARTICIPATING IN FUNDRAISING OR SEEKING SPONSORS.
- A \$50 DISCOUNT WILL BE GIVEN FOR FULL PAYMENT RECEIVED BY JULY 30 (BEGINNING OF BAND CAMP).
 - REDUCED TOTAL OF \$550 INSTEAD OF \$600

REDUCING THE FEES

THE FEES MAY BE REDUCED BY STUDENTS' AND PARENTS' PARTICIPATION AND VOLUNTEERING AS WELL AS SPONSORSHIPS AND FUNDRAISING PARTICIPATION.

1. SPONSORSHIPS SOLD

(FULL CREDIT EARNED, BUT MUST BE TURNED IN BY AUGUST 30)

July 30	August 30	September 30	October 30
\$200 \$0 (can be reduced by sponsorships)	\$200 \$0 (can be reduced by sponsorships)	\$100 (can be reduced by volunteering)	\$100 (can be reduced by fruit sales)

2. STUDENT FUNDRAISING EVENT VOLUNTEERING

(2 SLOT MINIMUM EARNS \$50 CREDIT TOWARD SEPTEMBER PAYMENT – ONE PER FAMILY)

- EXAMPLES INCLUDE 1 SHIFT AT THE CAR WASH, 1 PIZZA INN NIGHT (IF OVER 16 YEARS OLD).
- MUST BE OFFICIALLY SIGNED UP AND COMPLETE FULL SHIFT FOR CREDIT.

July 30	August 30	September 30	October 30
\$200 (can be reduced by sponsorships)	\$200 (can be reduced by sponsorships)	\$100 \$50 (can be reduced by volunteering)	\$100 (can be reduced by fruit sales)

3. PARENT VOLUNTEERING

(4 SLOT MINIMUM EARNS \$50 CREDIT TOWARD SEPTEMBER PAYMENT – ONE PER FAMILY)

- CHOOSE FROM FOOTBALL GAMES, COMPETITIONS, FUNDRAISING EVENTS OR OTHER VOLUNTEER NEEDS.
- MUST BE OFFICIALLY SIGNED UP AND COMPLETE FULL SHIFT FOR CREDIT.

July 30	August 30	September 30	October 30
\$200 (can be reduced by sponsorships)	\$200 (can be reduced by sponsorships)	\$100 \$50 (can be reduced by volunteering)	\$100 (can be reduced by fruit sales)

4. FRUIT SALES

(MINIMUM SOLD [TO BE ANNOUNCED] EARNS \$100 CREDIT TOWARD OCTOBER PAYMENT – ONE PER STUDENT)

July 30	August 30	September 30	October 30
\$200 (can be reduced by sponsorships)	\$200 (can be reduced by sponsorships)	\$100 (can be reduced by volunteering)	\$100 \$0 (can be reduced by fruit sales)

EXAMPLES

EXAMPLE: 1 STUDENT IN FAMILY - \$600 TOTAL

- \$200 PAID BY BEGINNING OF BAND CAMP
- STUDENT (OVER 16) PARTICIPATES IN PIZZA INN NIGHT AND 1 SHIFT AT CAR WASH (\$50)
- AT LEAST ONE PARENT VOLUNTEERS FOR 4 FOOTBALL CONCESSIONS SHIFTS (\$50)
- STUDENT SELLS 7 BOXES OF BAND FRUIT (\$100)
- TWO \$100 SPONSORSHIPS SOLD (\$200)

EXAMPLE: 2 STUDENTS IN ONE FAMILY - \$900 TOTAL

- \$200 EACH (\$400) PAID BY BEGINNING OF BAND CAMP
- BOTH STUDENTS PARTICIPATE IN SHIFTS AT CAR WASH (\$50)
- AT LEAST ONE PARENT VOLUNTEERS FOR 4 FOOTBALL CONCESSIONS SHIFTS (\$50)
- BOTH STUDENTS SELL 7 BOXES OF BAND FRUIT (\$200)
- TWO \$100 SPONSORSHIPS SOLD (\$200)

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AND PAYMENT PLANS

- FOR FAMILIES THAT HAVE DIFFICULTY MEETING FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS BY THE DATES INDICATED, THE SCHOOL AND THE BAND BOOSTERS CAN ARRANGE MUTUALLY AGREEABLE PAYMENT PLANS AND/OR PROVIDE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE ON A CASE-BY-CASE BASIS TO HELP DEFER THE COST OF LARGER BAND EXPENSES. PAYMENT PLANS ARE AVAILABLE TO ALL.
- TO QUALIFY FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE, STUDENTS MUST BE ON FREE OR REDUCED LUNCH, MUST NOTIFY THE DIRECTOR IN ADVANCE WHENEVER POSSIBLE, AND AGREE TO PARTICIPATE IN ALL FUNDRAISERS TO THE BEST OF THEIR ABILITY. THE BAND KEEPS ALL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE MATTERS IN STRICT CONFIDENCE.

DELINQUENT ACCOUNTS

- FAMILIES WHO DO NOT PAY BAND FEES CREATE A PROBLEM FOR THE WHHS BAND. THE WHHS BAND BOOSTERS IS A NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION THAT RELIES HEAVILY ON BAND OPERATING FEES TO FUNCTION.
- WE UNDERSTAND THAT SOME FAMILIES MAY HAVE TROUBLE PAYING BAND FEES IN A TIMELY MANNER, AND WE ARE ALWAYS WILLING TO WORK WITH THESE FAMILIES.

WHAT IS NOT COVERED BY THE BAND FEES

TO BE PURCHASED THROUGH ONLINE WHHS BAND BOOSTERS:

- \$38 - BLACK MARCHING SHOES / GUARD SHOES (IF YOU DON'T ALREADY HAVE THEM)
 - SHOES ARE PART OF THE UNIFORM AND ARE ALL ORDERED TOGETHER.
 - THE SHOE COMPANY WILL COME TO THE SCHOOL EARLY IN THE SEASON (THE DATE WILL BE ANNOUNCED) AND MEASURE EVERYONE WHO NEEDS THEM:
 - ALL NEW BAND OR GUARD
 - ANYONE NEEDING A NEW SIZE
- \$TBD - TRACK SUIT FOR GUARD MEMBERS ONLY
 - ONLY FOR THOSE WHO DON'T HAVE ONE OR NEED A DIFFERENT SIZE

WHAT IS NOT COVERED BY THE BAND FEES:

TO BE PURCHASED INDIVIDUALLY:

- BLACK COMPRESSION SHORTS TO WEAR UNDER UNIFORM (THINNER ATHLETIC SHORTS WORK BEST)
- LONG BLACK SOCKS (SOLID BLACK, SEVERAL PAIRS)
- ADDITIONAL OR REPLACEMENT GLOVES