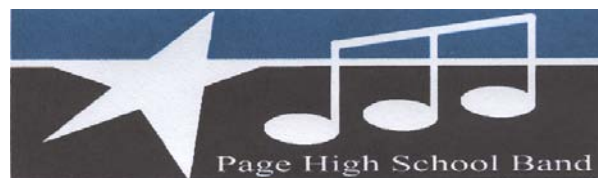


PAGE HIGH SCHOOL BAND HANDBOOK

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Dear Parents and Students,

We are proud to announce the return of the "Page High Marching Patriots." We are looking forward to another successful year.

For those new to Page, welcome to the Page High Band family. Should you have questions regarding Band Booster activities, you may contact Darlene Claiborne, President of the Page High Band Booster Organization at (email) mclaiborne4@comcast.net. Questions regarding student activities should be directed to either Erick or Ashley Harris.

Thank you for your continued participation and support.

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Williamson County School System Mission Statement

Cultivate: *Speaks to a process that refines*

Ability: *Speaks to performance and/or demonstration*

Intellect: *Speaks to the capacity to understand and utilize high order thinking skills*

Character: *Speaks to quality citizens who possess integrity*

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Overview

The primary focus of the Page High School Band is individual achievement leading to organization achievement. As we work to cultivate the ability, intellect, and character of each student, as directed by the mission statement of the Williamson County Board of Education, the musical development of the individual student requires a performance oriented program capable of meeting the needs of the school community, providing for the aesthetic nurturing of the student, and creating life-long learners and seekers of excellence. We seek to always present the best musical performances we can while working to create an atmosphere where students learn the value of dedication, discipline, team work, and pride while having fun and participating in events that they will remember the rest of their lives.

This multi-faceted approach is carried out through an active performance schedule, beginning with marching band. During the fall, the Page High School Band performs at all football games, five or six marching band contests and festivals, and both the Franklin and College Grove Christmas parades.

During the Winter and Spring, our performance focus turns toward concert opportunities. If possible, we will present both a light Winter Holiday concert and a more intense and musically demanding Spring concert. We will also present percussion ensemble and other ensemble performances throughout the year whenever possible. In early Spring, we plan to perform for evaluation at the Middle Tennessee School Band and Orchestra Association Concert Festival. Along with the marching and concert band performances, the Page High School Jazz Band will be performing at different festivals, community and school events throughout the entire year.

To accomplish the band program's primary objective of musical development of each individual student, our daily classroom activities center on improving the level of musicianship of each student. Our classroom program of technical skill development includes scales, arpeggios, lip slurs, and rudimental studies (percussion). An offshoot of this technical study is an emphasis on Clinic/All-State auditions and solo and ensemble festival. All students are encouraged to, at some point during the year; perform by themselves or as part of an ensemble. These performances may take place at festivals, concerts, or seasonal opportunities in the community.

Activities

ALL camps, practices, sectionals, games, and competitions are required. You need to talk with Mr. Harris, if you have a conflict, for prior approval.

SUMMER 2010

Guard/Percussion Camp (Mandatory for all guard and percussionist)

To be announced: Generally the first week of June

Pre-Band Camp (Mandatory for all band students)

To be announced: Generally the last week of July

Band Camp (Mandatory for all band students)

To be announced: Generally the first week of August

Monday rehearsals – (Please notify Mr. Harris if you will be unable to attend)

To be announced: Generally Monday evenings in June and July

FALL 2010

A sample of past seasons schedules:

Regular band practices – for all band members

Tuesdays & Thursdays, 3:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Sectionals:

Mondays: Guard/Percussion, 3:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Mondays: Brass & Woodwind (alternating weekly), 3:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Schedule will be posted in the band room.

Full band rehearsal – for all band members

TBA

Football Games - each Friday evening (plus any play off games) - Required

TBA

Contest and Festival Performance – **Required**

TBA

Clinic Band Auditions
TBA

Franklin Holiday Parade
(First weekend in December unless otherwise told)

College Grove Holiday Parade
(First weekend in December unless otherwise told)

Winter Holiday Concert
TBA

SPRING 2010

MTSBOA Concert Festival
TBA

Rodeo Parade – Participation yet to be determined

Summer Band Camps

The Page High School Band holds three camps during the summer to aide in our success.

Guard and Percussion Camp
Pre Band Camp
Band Camp

These camps are held at Page High School during their respective times. This is where we begin learning the drill and music for the upcoming marching season, so attendance is mandatory. It is also imperative that by Band Camp each student must turn in a notarized consent/health form. (*Please note: notary public usually available during first marching season booster meeting.*)

During band camp, we will conduct many sectional rehearsals, full band music rehearsals, and marching rehearsals. Please note that students will not be allowed to leave campus during camp for any reason. Please make other arrangements for any doctor, dental, or any other appointments during this week.

In order to pay for instructors, drill and music the full band fee payment is due no later than Monday of Band Camp. A payment schedule is listed on page 14. Checks are payable to the Page High School Band Boosters and may be turned into the band office at any time.

Students should bring to band camp:

Wear comfortable shorts & t-shirt (*school dress-code appropriate - NO bathing suits*)
Low-top athletic shoes and socks
Individual water jug
Sunscreen
Instrument (*sticks, mallets, flags, mouthpieces, reeds, etc.*)
Three Ring Binder
Pencil
Dot Book (an example will be shown at Pre Camp)
Hat
Sunglasses

Hats and athletic shoes are a must. Sandals and bare feet are not appropriate for marching practice at any time. Instructors and students often find that small towels are useful at practice, especially when wet and applied to the back of the neck during the heat of the afternoon.

Parents desiring to visit during band camp are welcome and needed. Please feel free to let us know if you are available to help serve meals, get water, or just run errands.

Consent/Health Forms

The consent/health forms are available in the band room and posted on the website. Notaries Public will be available at school throughout pre-camp. These forms are absolutely necessary for your child's safety and well being. Please feel free to add any additional information to the form that you think is necessary for your child's safety. We will always try to contact a parent or guardian when serious medical attention is needed, however, these forms are a requirement for any emergency medical attention that may be needed. In the rare instance where a student needs more extensive attention, we transport the student to the nearest hospital.

Classes

Band classes at Page are as follows:

Freshman Band – Consists of all freshman woodwind and brass players. These students are in the marching and concert band.

Percussion Class – All percussionist grades 9-12 are required to be in Percussion class. This class will explore all aspects of percussion playing, through marching band, percussion ensembles and concert band situations.

Symphonic Band – Consists of all woodwind and brass players grades 9-12. These students are also in the marching and concert bands.

Jazz Band – Meets after school after marching season is over. Jazz band is an audition group that consists of saxophones, trombones, trumpets, drums, piano, guitar, and bass. Director approval is a requirement.

Band Grades

Band is a unique course at Page High School. It has curricular requirements just as any other academic discipline. Band grades are derived from attendance at rehearsals and performances, attentiveness in class and at rehearsals, and full, contributory participation in classroom activities and rehearsals as well as written and playing exams. A high level of commitment from each student is the driving force behind the organization and is reflected in the achievements of the individual band members and the achievements of the band as a whole.

The band as an organization provides a medium through which students progress academically, musically, and socially. Musicianship, attitude, attendance, punctuality, good conduct, and a desire for excellence are expected essentials. No other discipline in education requires the high level of achievement and commitment from all participants that is required in musical performance. Through the level of commitment required, students are better prepared for the challenges and responsibilities encountered throughout their lives (and band is a fun way to get a good grade just for effort!)

Attendance Policies

Rehearsals, both during school and after school, are the means by which students learn and by the very nature cannot be “made-up.” Each student is greatly dependent on every other student. It is imperative that students be present for all rehearsals unless their absence is absolutely unavoidable. Unexcused rehearsal absences, lateness, and/or early departure will affect a student’s performance and thus will substantially impact his/her grade. Although the directors frequently act as conductors, they are primarily teachers responsible for the musical and aesthetic education of each student in the band program. For this reason, the directors are absolutely insistent upon each student’s daily and full participation. Rehearsals are not optional and are reflected in the student’s daily grade. A single unexcused absence alone will generally lower a student’s grade for the nine weeks by at least three points.

Absences from rehearsals are only excused in case of illness of the student (doctor note required), a death in the family, religious holiday (advance notice required), emergency, or by special permission of the doctor obtained substantially in advance of the rehearsal by the student’s parent or guardian.

Absences from performances are only excused in the event of an extreme emergency, such as illness of the student (doctor note required), a death in the family, religious holiday, or other reasons deemed excusable by the directors.

The band or activity director, substantially in advance of the rehearsal or performance, must approve all non-emergency absences from rehearsals or performances. Excessive absence, excused or not, may result in the student being removed from pending performances or being placed in an “alternate” status.

After Rehearsals and Performances

Rehearsals usually end at the announced time and buses usually arrive from competitions and football games at the designated times. The directors are accurate at estimating return times and ending rehearsals on time. Students are

to be picked up at the designated time in the parking lot in front of the band room and Ringstaff Gym. Please be at school or make certain a ride is arranged for your student at the designated time. Do not wait for a phone call from your student. It takes a long time for 90 students to call home. The directors cannot leave until all students have been picked up.

Marching Band Policies

Rehearsals are never cancelled due to inclement weather. If conditions do not permit outdoor practice, we will work inside and wait for conditions to improve. We may at times continue to work outside in light drizzle or intermittent light rain. Scheduled rehearsals go on regardless of the temperature. Students should always be prepared for changes in the weather (both temperature and precipitation) and be appropriately dressed for practice. Low top athletic shoes are necessary for the style of marching step we use.

The Page High School Marching Patriots will maintain a high profile in a variety of performance opportunities. As a part of the school community, the marching band will support the football program through the completion of its season, including post-season playoff or “bowl” games. The marching band will also represent Page High School in all local parades.

Incoming freshman who participate in fall sports at Page High that interfere with marching band may be in the concert band.

Individual Development Opportunities

It is expected that the band students at Page High will have varied backgrounds and levels of experience. For that reason, the driving force of the band program is to help students move forward from their current skill level. To further the band's commitment to individual achievement, all members are encouraged to participate in Clinic Band auditions and/or Solo and Ensemble opportunities. Individual and small ensembles are one of the greatest educational opportunities available from being in a good band program. Many of these provide for a challenge as well as an evaluation of your playing.

In order for our full band to reach high achievement, every member must seek improvement individually. This aspect develops self-esteem, which is a valuable by-product in any educational offering. That is why individual practice is so important. Students will be expected to seek growth and improvement on their instrument, which can only be obtained through practice. The more ... the better!

The band members at Page High are very fortunate to be able to seek individual private lessons. There are several people in the area that teach privately. We can

get a list of people, numbers, and rate of charge. Please note that we are willing to come early and stay late to help students.

Clinic band auditions are generally held the first Saturday in December (upper classmen) and the second Saturday in December (freshman). Clinic band auditions are highly structured, involving a presentation of scales, prepared music, and sight reading. For students who choose this activity, it is the preparation for the audition that serves as a vehicle for student improvement. The Clinic Band activities include All-Midstate Band, Orchestra, and Jazz Bands, as well as All-State Band, Orchestra, and Jazz Bands. Selection in any of the Clinic Bands is a high honor. Middle Tennessee School Band and Orchestra Association (MTSBOA) and Tennessee Music Educators Association (TMEA) sponsor the All-Midstate and All-State bands. Students interested in auditioning should indicate their interest by October 1st. The directors will assist students in preparing for the auditions in individual after-school sessions by appointment.

Solo and ensemble opportunities may include performances in organized Solo and Ensemble festivals, which are held in the spring. MTSBOA sponsors these festivals usually in March or April. This adjudicated event allows students to expand their musical experience in a more intimate setting.

Student Conduct

Students involved in the band activity are subject to all general rules of conduct as determined by the administration of Page High School and the Williamson County Board of Education. The band's image is based on the actions of the individual members. Our collective public reputation is determined by our actions, our appearance, and our projection of integrity and organization. It is the responsibility of each band member to ensure that we represent our school, our community, and ourselves in the best possible manner.

Contest, festivals and other adjudicated activities are important aspects of the Page High Band program. Through these activities, we hope to obtain valuable feedback about our progress as individuals and as a program. Although we should not "live or die" by one judge's or one panel's opinion of our performance, clearly we should learn the value of giving the maximum effort and standing by the results as one person's opinion of our best possible effort of that day.

The Page High School Band has established a tradition of expressing our respect for all other participants at the events we attend while taking great pride in our own achievements. We stand silently as scores are being announced and graciously accept the results, regardless of the outcome. The Page High School Band shows its appreciation and respect for all of our competitors. We congratulate all with whom we compete. Some people may not understand our expression of respect for our competitors. Those people may never know the true reason for

participating in competition, mistakenly equating winning with coming in first. We will all come in first when we deserve to, based on our own level of performance. We know that “winning” is the state of every individual having endured the hardships, having taken the chance of competing, and having done his or her own personal best in the pursuit of excellence. We take pride in doing our best performance regardless of the evaluation of the judges. We recognize that every student who participates in a band is a winner.

Bus Etiquette

Each student is responsible for making sure his or her trash is placed in the trash bags provided. As young adults, students are expected to clean-up after themselves.

Students are to be seated at all times. This is for your safety.
All radios and CD players must have headphones.

Students must adhere to all bus driver and chaperone instructions at all times. Students who disobey the bus driver or chaperone will be moved to the front of the bus and appropriate action will take place.

Uniforms

Page High School takes pride in our uniforms. At competitions, judges and fans all comment on how good we look. Each new band member will be fitted for their uniform and shoes during either pre-band camp or another designated time. At that time, they will be shown how to properly care for his or her uniform.

Each marching member will be issued one pair of shoes upon entering the band program. After that initial pair, each additional pair will be charged to the individual student. This includes the need to replace the initial pair due to loss, “wear and tear” and simply outgrowing the first pair provided.

Each marching member required to wear gloves will be issued one pair at the beginning of each marching season. After that initial pair, each additional pair will be charged to the individual student. This includes the need to replace the initial pair due to loss, “wear and tear” and simply outgrowing the first pair provided.

Each student is responsible for providing their own pair of black “show” socks (recommend purchasing two). An additional t-shirt may also be ordered, and is highly recommended so that you have one for ballgame and one for competition.

After uniforms are issued, they will remain at school. The uniform crew will handle all alterations. The new uniforms are machine washable, which will save on

cleaning costs, however they must be washed following an exact procedure. The uniform crew will do all washing of uniforms, please DO NOT wash individual uniforms. Weekly cleaning of socks, gloves, band t-shirts, and shoes is the responsibility of each individual student.

The uniform of the Page High School Band has been custom designed and made to exact standards. Much time and energy went into the process resulting in our unique look. If a student loses or damages a part of his or her uniform, the student will have to replace the missing or damaged part.

The replacement costs for the parts of the uniform are:

Full uniform	\$500
Shako	\$ 50
Gauntlets	\$ 30
Plume	\$ 25
Jacket	\$150
Pants	\$150
Gloves	\$ 2

Guard Uniform/Equipment

Guard uniforms are designed to be an integral part of each season's show. When the design process is finished, each guard member will be properly fitted. Instructions for the care for these uniforms will be given at a later date. Each guard member will be required to pay the cost of their uniform (rental or purchase) as well as any additional costume components, makeup, etc.

Each guard member will be assigned proper guard equipment. This must be returned to the Band. A refundable \$100 deposit will be paid by each guard member. If a student loses or damages a part of their uniform/equipment, the student will have to replace the missing or damaged part. The replacement costs for guard equipment and uniform are:

Full uniform	\$ TBA
Practice Flag	\$ TBA
Performance Flag	\$ TBA
Rifle	\$ TBA
Sabre	\$ TBA

Proper Wearing of the Uniform

When the Page High School Band appears in uniform, every student must wear every part of the uniform exactly as intended. Jackets must be closed and

fastened. Clean black socks must be worn. Only band shoes may be worn with the uniform. Athletic shoes are not an option. Hats other than the uniform shakos are not allowed in uniform.

Long hair must be up inside the shako and absolutely no jewelry (including earrings and watches) may be worn during performances.

Band t-shirts or section shirts can be worn under the uniform. Whenever we are out of uniform at a competition, the band t-shirts MUST be worn by all band members.

Band Fees

The quality of the band program at Page High requires substantial financial expenditures. Students who are not able to meet the financial obligations may still participate in band classes which includes the activities of concert band.

General Band Fee

Band fee for the 2010-2011 school year is TBA per student. This fee covers transportation, supplemental instruction, equipment, uniform maintenance, music, drill, and other band expenditures throughout the entire school year. Two exceptions will be the overnight Bands of America (BOA) competitions. Once the location and cost of these competitions are determined, the payment amount and due date will be announced. The band fee is calculated to cover the operating budget of the Marching Patriots – excluding items noted as well as the Winter Drumline.

In order to have the cash flow that is necessary to keep the band program operating without debt, it is required that each student make no more than three payments.

Sample payment schedule:

- \$ due on June 1
- \$ due on July 1
- \$ due on August 1

Any student with an outstanding balance as of June 1 from the previous school year will not be allowed to participate in marching band.

Financial payment plans and assistance are available. Any student or the parent of the student who requires a payment plan or assistance in meeting these financial obligations is encouraged to speak directly with the Director in confidence. A written request is also required and will be treated with the utmost discretion and respect for the privacy of the student and family. All approved payment plans will be agreed upon by Band Boosters and the student's parent(s)

on writing. Any discussions of personal finances are kept in the strictest confidence. It is expected that any student and/or parent on a payment plan or receiving financial assistance will participate fully in all fundraising activities.

Students not in Marching Band but participating in other band functions will pay a class fee through the standard fee program.

Color Guard/Percussion Camp

This mandatory camp for all color guard and percussion members is a week of learning and practice that involves the students and staff. Lunches, snacks and beverages will be provided. There will be a fee for this camp, to be announced, and must be paid by the first day of color guard/percussion camp.

Competition Food

Most competitions are all-day events. Through experience, we have found that it is far better for the Band members and more efficient for the Band Boosters to provide meals and snacks for the students. Through a combination of donations and a competition food fee, the meals, snacks and beverages are provided for competitions. This year's fee will be announced at the beginning of the school year.

Participation in the competition food program is not mandatory. However, students will not be allowed to leave the band area to purchase lunch at other areas or concessions stands. Students may bring their own food in small, personal sized coolers.

Participation will be on an all or nothing basis. Food will not be available on a week-by-week basis.

School Instrument Usage Fee

Any student using school provided instruments, including but not limited to percussion instruments, will be charged an instrument usage fee. This fee will be used to offset the increasing expenses of replacing band instruments. The school system will pay the expense to repair instruments to the point they can be cost effectively repaired. Replacement of school instruments is not covered by the school system and is the responsibility of the Booster organization. This fee is \$25 per semester.

Winter Drumline

Winter Drumline is a program separate from the Marching Band yet part of the Page High School Band program. It is open to all members of the Page Band program. Fees and schedules will be determined in the Fall.

Refunds for fees paid will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis. However, it is Band policy that no refund will be given for any student who is removed from any component of the Band program for reasons decided upon by the Director.

Removal/dismissal reasons include but are not limited to the student's inability to or decision to not meet minimum performance requirements or failure to meet behavior guidelines set by the Director.

Fundraising Activities

Fundraising serves two purposes, which are to raise funds for the longer term needs or special activities and to give students the opportunity to offset their band fees.

This year, fundraising will continue to be an important activity. The band continues to move in a very positive direction. We have equipment that is in desperate need of replacement as well the immediate need for a four-wheel vehicle to pull our pit carts. We also need to be raising funds to support the expense of our new Band trailer and tractor. This requires a commitment from every band member to become involved in fundraising.

The Fundraising Committee has secured our 501(c)(3) not-for-profit status. This determination will allow us to apply for a variety of grants and fund raising programs. We will also be able to solicit funds from larger corporations and employers who require their donation to be made to not-for-profit organizations.

We are offering a number of fundraising activities which will allow the parents and students the opportunity to raise funds for equipment and growth projects as well as for the individual band member accounts. All fund raising activities are subject to change.

Advertising/Sponsorships

This activity will target businesses and individuals for their support of the band program through the financial sponsorship of the band. This will consist of advertising their name on our band T-shirt, a banner to be displayed at the concession stand and on our band truck at competitions and away football games as well as in our concert program. The level of sponsorship will determine the level of name recognition.

Concession Stand

The band program is fortunate to be the organization selected to fund and operate the concession stand for all home football games and potentially other sports activities involving the football stadium. This is an important portion of our revenue and requires a large number of band parents to be involved. It is a great way to get to know the other parents and to become a part of this band program.

Summer Car Washes

During the summer there will be several car washes held at various locations around our community. The students will organize and operate these car washes under the direction of the Booster organization.

Scrip Program (student account)

This program allows band members/parents to purchase gift cards for use at an extensive list of national retailers. A percentage of the face value of the card (this varies by retailer) is given by the scrip program directly into the student's individual band account. We encourage everyone to expand the sales of gift cards outside your immediate family as a way to help offset your band fees.

Kroger Cares Program (student account)

This program provides a percentage of the purchases made with a pre-paid Kroger card to be donated by Kroger into the band's general fund. This has proven to be a helpful donation for many organizations and one that can be expanded to people outside your immediate family as a way to help meet the band goals.

Wine Tasting Event

After our initial event in the Spring of 2006, we will again be working with a very successful wine tasting event in Spring Hill. This will be a "parent only" event where we will be providing manpower for various aspects of the activity. A large number of volunteers will be needed

Dessert Café

Again this year, we will be offering a "dessert and beverage" café before band concerts. This can be a "pure profit" activity because the desserts will be provided/donated by band parents.

"Walk of Honor" Brick Project

This is an ongoing fund raising project. An individual or business can purchase a brick (various sizes, various prices) to honor someone by name. This brick will be a permanent part of a prominent walk on the Page High campus. We encourage anyone with a connection to Page High School to be honored on this walk.

Non-Page High Sports Concessions (student account)

We currently are part of the Nashville Arena's program for not-for-profit groups where we provide workers for their concession stand operations. In return, each worker generates a guarantee minimum donation to the Band. This donation (less a percentage to the Band fund) goes into your student's account for each event worked. This activity requires annual training through Sportservice (the concession company) for each participant. There is no charge for this training and several sessions are offered.

Golf Tournament

The funds from this event will go towards the General Band Fund to help meet our operating budget. We will need the support of all band families in one way or another – finding sponsors or donors, working the event, helping to promote the event, etc.

There are several other opportunities being explored where band parents (adults only) can work concession stands at sporting events around the area. The possibilities include football, college basketball, auto racing, concerts, etc. More details will be announced when plans are finalized.

We are always open to new ideas and other fundraising opportunities may arise. When they do, the information will be publicized through the Band Boosters E-mail, the band website and information will be sent home with each student.

Student Accounts

Each member of the Marching Band and Winter Drumline will have a student account. This is where all fees, charges, payments and fund raising collections will be posted (unless noted otherwise). Statements will be sent out via E-mail on a regular basis listing activity to your student account and your current balance.

Since the major student account fundraising activities occur after the August 1st deadline for the final payment of the fee, seniors may not have the opportunity to earn fees prior to the due date. The board wants to encourage that the fees be paid on time so that sufficient operating funds are available to fund the marching season. With this in mind, seniors that have paid off their assessed fees and continue to earn band fees through fundraising will have two options for the funds earned in excess of all assessed fees.

Option 1 - Designate the funds to the band through the following methods:

- a) to another senior's unpaid balance;
- b) to another underclassmen student's account;
- c) to the senior gift;
- d) to a specific band budget line item (i.e. new instruments, music, marching equipment, etc)
- e) the Band account in general

Option 2 - Receive a payout equal to the amount that the student paid cash towards the current year's assessed fees. Any funds in excess of the payout amount would be disbursed under option 1.

Any student who has a credit balance in their student account and leaves the Band program before graduation will not receive any money out of their account. The excess funds may be designated as follows:

- a) to any student's unpaid balance;
- b) to another underclassmen student's account;
- c) to a specific band budget line item (i.e. new instruments, music, marching equipment, etc)
- d) the Band account in general

Page High School Band Boosters Organization

This is an organization of parents and friends of the Page High School Band that provides support for the band program in every way imaginable. It is the support of the Band Boosters that enables us to provide the full band program we have at Page High School. We are heavily dependent upon the Band Boosters as our cheering section at competitions, for set and prop construction, for transportation of our props and equipment on the field at performances and games, for logistics for our many activities, for uniform maintenance, for administrative support, and for financial support.

Every parent who wishes to be a part of the Band Boosters may do so and is welcome. The band program needs a strong parent support group in order to be successful. Band Booster meetings are held the first Tuesday of the month at 6:30 p.m. in the cafeteria. If you are unable to attend, you can still be a part of the parent group by participating in a number of activities. We encourage every parent to serve as a chaperone at least once throughout the year and to help in the football concession stand at least once. The following are descriptions of the different ways parents can be involved.

Chaperones

Travel with the band to football games, competitions and festivals. Being a chaperone is a way to share your child's experience in the Page High School Band, make new friends, and to see other bands perform. Chaperones are responsible for overseeing the students from the time the band leaves the school until the band returns. They are to stay with them at all times.

Discipline of the students, however, is the sole responsibility of the directors. In addition, the directors are the decision makers regarding scheduling, arrivals, and departures. Information flows from the directors through the bus drivers and chaperones to the students.

Chaperoning can be hard work. The hours are long. Nevertheless, the rewards are great and accompanying the finest (and most well behaved) young people in Williamson County as they take their show on the road is an experience you will never forget. If interested in being a chaperone, or for more information on becoming a chaperone, please call the band office.

Nurses, EMT's or other medical professionals

Travel with the band to football games, contests, and festivals, etc. Persons with medical training are needed to maintain First Aid Kits and Health Form information and to provide first aid to students while we are traveling.

Uniform Crew

Help with fitting, managing, alterations (this requires sewing ability), repair and cleaning of our uniforms. Responsible for distributing and collecting uniforms before and after every ballgame and competition.

Color Guard Uniform/Equipment

Help sew color guard flags and uniforms as needed. Maintain equipment and inventory. Collect all uniforms and equipment at the end of marching season.

Notary Public

Come to pre-camp and other rehearsals to notarize consent/health forms.

Fund Raising Committee

Helps implement the various fundraisers throughout the years.

Set & Prop Construction

Help with the design, building, and maintenance of sets and props as needed.

Pit Crew

Assist with organization and transportation of band equipment from band room to performance field or from the truck to the performance field during the marching season. Reverse the process after the performance.

Concession Stand Workers

Positions available for each home game

Hospitality Tent

Provide drink & snack at every home game for band members and visiting team band members. Volunteers needed to provide refreshments and serve refreshments.

Band Camp/Competition Food Committee

Band Camp – Provide morning and afternoon snack and lunch.

Volunteers needed to: setup and cleanup, prepare and serve food, make contacts for donations, pick-up donations and purchase food from merchants.

Competition – Provide snack, lunch and dinner.

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Various other committees will often arise, if you have a special talent or desire to help the boosters in any other way, please feel free to come to the Band Booster meetings and share your support with the group.