

# WELCOME TO THE MCLEAN BAND PROGRAM!

We are excited that you have chosen to become a part of our outstanding group of students and continue our tradition of excellence! The Bands at McLean High School are a visible and important part of the culture of our students and our community. Our staff works hard to provide you with a comprehensive, challenging, and fun experience in your music education. We want this to be an important and impactful part of your lives for the next four years!

Here are the first steps to being a part of our program:

1. **ALL STUDENTS** need to be registered for CHARMS. This is the communication and accounting system provided by FCPS. If you are not already registered for this, email [cmweise@fcps.edu](mailto:cmweise@fcps.edu) as soon as possible to complete the process.
2. **ALL FRESHMEN STUDENTS** and their parents should attend our *New Band Student Orientation Meeting at McLean HS on Tuesday, April 19 at 7PM. Exact location TBD.*
3. Decide if you are going to participate in the Highlander Marching Band. This is one of the most fun and important parts of the overall high school band experience. The most important time to register for marching band is before your FRESHMEN YEAR. Many students find that this eases their transition into high school in a very comfortable way. Students should strongly consider registering for marching band this year.

## MARCHING BAND REGISTRATION:

If you choose to be a part of the Highlander Marching Band, please see the attached schedule, fee structure, and commitment form.

1. Turn in the commitment form signed by you and your parents along with the first. The first payment is the FCPS Course Materials Fee for Marching Band - \$195. This non-refundable fee and the commitment form are due by May 6. You can place them in the wooden box in the McLean band room, submit them at the main office, or give them to one of the Longfellow band directors.
2. After the initial registration, you will receive a second round of forms for our summer program in August. These forms will be due by June 10 along with the Marching Band Camp Activity Fee of \$215.

Please let us know if you have any questions! *You can call or email me any time.* Again, we are really looking forward to working with you next year!

Chris Weise  
Director of Bands, McLean HS

# McLean High School Highlander Marching Band

## Participation Commitment Form 2016

*All members of the Highlander Marching Band are expected to adhere to the following statements:*

- I understand that I must abide by all rules and regulations set forth by Fairfax County Public Schools and McLean High School during all Highlander Marching Band activities and events.
- I commit to attending rehearsals and performances for the full duration of the season. Special conflicts with the calendar will be brought to Mr. Weise's attention as early as possible. I will avoid scheduling vacations, doctor appointments, tutoring, sports practices, etc. during the scheduled calendar of rehearsals and events.
- I will be punctual for all call times, rehearsals, and performances. I will be in place and prepared to work at the time instructed.
- I understand that for the ensemble to be successful we need 100% commitment from each member.
- I understand that individual absence or tardiness negatively impacts the learning and experience of every other member in the ensemble.
- I will effectively carry out any out-of-rehearsal preparation/practice needed in order to keep up with assignments and hasten the progress of the entire ensemble.
- I agree to bring a positive and cooperative attitude to each rehearsal and performance.
- I understand the Highlander Marching Band is drug, alcohol, and tobacco free. Failure to comply with the FCPS Student Rights and Responsibilities policy and the FCPS Participation Policy for Student Activities will result in disciplinary action, which can lead to removal from the ensemble, referral to the administration and appropriate authorities, and possible expulsion from school as permitted by the above mentioned policies.
- I will strive for academic excellence in all of my classes and effectively manage my time to balance all commitments.
- I understand that I am responsible for any fees required by FCPS with my enrollment in the marching band program and as explained in the attached documents. My deposit to participate is included with this form and I understand that it may be non-refundable.
- I understand that I represent the McLean Highlander Marching Band both on and off the field. I will exhibit good sportsmanship and dignity. I understand that my actions reflect not only on myself but also on the entire group. I agree to represent the band in a positive and responsible manner throughout the school and community.
- I will respect the property of others and the school. I will never abuse or tolerate the abuse of someone else's property.
- I will comply and cooperate with any instructions given by a staff member, parent volunteer, or student leader. I will also cooperate at all times with my fellow band members.
- I will be a reliable member of this ensemble. I will not let my colleagues down.
- I agree to have fun, cherish the memories, work hard, and never give up.

***SIGNATURES REQUIRED ON THE BACK!***

I have read and fully understand the above information and agree with the content. This is my commitment to participate. I am prepared to be an active and productive member of the Highlander Marching Band. I understand that my participation may be in jeopardy if these expectations are not met. I am aware that my place in the show is specifically written to include me based on this commitment and my lack of participation from here on out will negatively impact all of the other students' ability to achieve their best.

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**Student Printed Name**

**Student Signature**

**Date**

**Marching Instrument or Guard**

I understand and support the commitment my son/daughter has made to the Highlander Marching Band. I understand that this includes a responsibility on my part to help them succeed in following through with this commitment. I understand the financial and calendar obligations that are represented by this commitment.

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**Parent/Legal Guardian Printed Name**

**Parent/Legal Guardian Signature**

**Date**

***Financial Assistance:***

NO STUDENT IN THE MCLEAN BAND WILL EVER BE PROHIBITED FROM PARTICIPATING BECAUSE OF FINANCIAL DIFFICULTIES!

Contact Mr. Weise via e-mail at [cmweise@fcps.edu](mailto:cmweise@fcps.edu) regarding Financial Aid if you are in need of some assistance.

**This form must be completed with signatures and the \$195 Course Material Fee is due by Friday, May 6, 2016!**

Form and check should be submitted one of three ways:

1. Placed in the wooden secure box in the band room at McLean High School
2. Given to Longfellow Band Directors - Mr. Zimmerman or Ms. Gutjahr
3. Mailed to Chris Weise at McLean High School – 1633 Davidson Rd. McLean, VA 22101

Payment for this deposit may be made by credit card via Charms, cash, or check. Please make checks payable to **McLean High School.**

Contact for Questions: Chris Weise, Director of Bands - [cmweise@fcps.edu](mailto:cmweise@fcps.edu) - 703-714-5815

# 2016 McLean Marching Band Registration

Thank you for signing the McLean High School Marching Band Commitment Form and paying the Course Materials Fee of \$195. Welcome to Marching Band! This document provides instructions on how to finish the registration process.

## IMPORTANT DUE DATE:

All registration forms and a final payment of \$215 for the Marching Band Camp Activity Fee are due on or before Friday, June 10, 2016. You may pay by check payable to McLean High School (please write your student's name on the memo/subject line) and place it in the locked box in the band room. Or, you may pay by credit card on Charms.

On the following page is a checklist. Please be sure that you have fully completed each of the items on the checklist.

No student will be permitted to start Marching Band without complete registration, full payment, and parent check-in on first day of marching band camp on August 10 (new marchers) and August 11<sup>th</sup> (returning marchers).

If you need financial assistance, please complete the Financial Assistance Request Form and send directly to Chris Weise ([CMWeise@fcps.edu](mailto:CMWeise@fcps.edu)) before June 10. No student will be withheld from band for inability to pay.

Important note about uniforms: New marchers will need to purchase DINKLES (marching shoes), which cost \$34. This is a one-time purchase because shoes can be traded in for larger sizes as needed in future years. New color guard students will need to purchase guard shoes, gloves and the warm-up suit. All marching and color guard students must also have the marching band T-shirt, which is free of charge for new members – new members only need to indicate their T-shirt size. Replacement T-shirts for returning marchers can be purchased for \$15. DINKLES (marching shoes) and T-shirt can be ordered in the online store in Charms.

Spirit wear: Students and family members will have the chance to order Spirit Wear, optional clothing items with the McLean Band logo/name. This will be handled separately. Watch the band website ([www.mcleanband.org](http://www.mcleanband.org)) and be on the lookout for emails in the coming weeks.

Trips: A marching Band trip activity fee (covers cost of bus, hotel, and some meals during travel) will be charged in August/September once the plans for our non-local competitions are finalized. The amount of this fee has not yet been determined, but we estimate that it will be \$175-\$215.

CANCELLATION POLICY: Due to the nature of the Marching Band program, cancellations received after JULY 1, 2016 will forfeit all marching band registration fees.

Additional Registration Resources: 1) McLean High School Band Program Finance Information and Policies will provide you with more detailed information regarding the fee structure and the policies regarding cancellations, refunds, and bounced checks and 2) Charms FAQ outlines detailed instructions on how to complete the different registration steps. Both documents can be found in the "General Information" folder in Charms.

## 2016 Marching Band Registration Checklist

To register your student for 2016 marching band, please complete each of the following items in CHARMS:

### Student Info:

Go to "Update Info" section in Charms and verify accuracy of your (Student and Parent/Guardian) contact information. This is our primary method of communication. Make sure it is correct!

### Forms:

**All of the registration forms**—forms A-C, the emergency authorization form, the FCPS Participation Policy for Student Activities form, the three medical forms, and the financial aid form—**are accessible in the Marching Band folder of the "Handout and Files" section in Charms.** Complete the forms, sign them, and then either (1) scan and email to Jamie [REDACTED]@gmail.com or (2) mail to Jamie [REDACTED] or (3) return to band mailbox in band room at MHS. If at all possible, we would prefer receiving a scanned copy of the forms as it will greatly streamline the administration and record-keeping. Note that a physician's signature is required on the three medical forms—prescription medication, inhaler, and epipen authorizations. Please make copies of all your forms before you turn them in. (This is particularly important for the medical forms.) Submit the financial assistance form directly to Mr. Weise; do not turn in with the other forms.

#### REQUIRED FOR ALL STUDENTS ([forms available in Charms](#)):

- Form A: Permission to Participate
- Form B: Code of Behavior
- Form C: Authorization for Over-the-Counter Medication
- Emergency Care Form
- FCPS Participation Policy - Student Activities (Acknowledgement Page)

#### REQUIRED IF APPLICABLE ([form available in Charms](#)):

- Medication Authorization
- Inhaler Authorization
- Epi-Pen Authorization
- Financial Assistance Request Form (turn in separately to Mr. Weise)

### Volunteer Signup - Marching Band Camp and Trip Volunteers:

We need many adult volunteers at specific times during Summer Marching Band Rehearsals from August 10 – September 3 and throughout the season. You can view and sign up for volunteer opportunities in the "Volunteers" section of Charms. If you are willing to help but cannot do the individual events that are listed, please contact Jamie [REDACTED]@gmail.com.

### Payment:

Marching Band Camp Activity Fee of \$215 is payable via check. Make check payable to McLean High School, write your student's name on the memo/subject line. Return check to locked box in MHS band room. Or, you may pay by credit card on Charms.



Marching Band Uniform pieces must be ordered through the on-line store in Charms. Payment can be made by check payable to McLean High School (write student's name in memo section of check). **If paying by check, please be sure it is separate from the activity fee** and attach a copy of the Charms order form. If you prefer to pay by credit card, that option will be available in Charms beginning Monday, June 7, 2016.

**Due date for complete registration and full payment is June 10.**

Questions?

Contact Jamie [REDACTED]@gmail.com or [REDACTED].

# McLean Marching Band Camp Schedule for Summer 2016

## Pre-Season Rehearsals – Revised 4/6/16

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
AUGUST	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8 Drum Majors and students help prepare materials for camp to begin	9 <b>Section Leader Meeting and Lunch</b> 8AM-12PM	10 Winds – New Marchers and Section Leaders – 8AM to 4PM Battery – New Marchers and Section Leaders – 8AM to 12PM ALL Battery – 1PM to 4PM and 6PM-9M Pit – 8AM to 4PM All Guard – 8AM to 4 M	11 Winds – 8AM to 4PM Battery – 1PM to 5PM and 6PM to 9 M Pit – M to 4PM Guard – 8AM to 4PM	12 Winds – 8AM to 4PM Battery – 8AM to 4PM Pit – 8AM to 4PM Guard – 8AM to 4PM	13
14	15 Winds & Guard- 8AM to 3:30PM and 6-9PM  Battery & Pit – 8AM - 3:30PM 6 - 9PM	16 Winds & Guard- 8AM to 3:30PM and 6-9PM  Battery & Pit – 8AM - 3:30PM 6 - 9PM	17 Winds & Guard- 8AM to 3:30PM and 6-9PM  Battery & Pit – 8AM - 3:30 M 6 - 9PM	18 Winds & Guard- 8AM to 3:30PM and 6-9PM  Battery & Pit – 8AM - 3:30PM 6 - 9PM	19 Winds & Guard- 8AM to 3:30PM  Battery & Pit – 8AM - 3:30PM  6PM – Talent Show in Auditorium	20
21	22 Winds – 8AM to 2PM and 5:30PM to 9PM  Battery & Pit – 8AM - 2PM 5:30PM - 9PM  Guard- 8AM to 3:30PM and 6-9PM	23 Winds – 8 PM and 5:30PM to 9PM  Battery & Pit – 8AM - 2 M 5:30PM - 9PM  Guard- 8AM 3:3 PM and 6-9PM	24 Winds – 8AM to 2PM and 5:30PM to 9PM  Battery & Pit – 8AM - 2PM 5:30PM - 9PM  Guard- 8AM to 3:30PM and 6-9PM	25 Winds – 8AM to 2PM and 5:30PM to 9PM  Battery & Pit – 8AM - 2PM 5:30PM - 9PM  Guard- 8AM to 3:30PM and 6-9PM 9PM – Pool Party	26 Winds & Guard – 8AM to 2PM  Battery & Pit – 8AM - 2PM  Pep Band will attend the football game at 7PM	27
28	29 Winds – 2PM to 8:30PM  Battery, Pit & Guard – 1PM – 8:30PM	30 Winds – 2PM to 8 :30PM  Battery, Pit & Guard – 1PM – 8:30PM	31 Winds – 2PM to 8:30PM  Battery, Pit & Guard – 1PM – 8:30PM	1 SEPTEMBER Winds – TBD*  Battery, Pit & Guard – TBD*  6PM Potluck Dinner and Parent Preview Show	2 NO MARCHING BAND!  ENJOY THE LONG WEEKEND!	3

\*Freshmen will attend Orientation on this day. We will set the rehearsal schedule around this event once we know the times.

**Marching Band & Guard Preliminary Schedule 2016**

***DRAFT - THIS SCHEDULE IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE***

**April:**

7 – Drumline Clinic – 6PM-8PM  
14 – Drumline Clinic – 6PM-8PM  
21 – Drumline Clinic – 6PM-8PM  
19 – New Band & Guard Student Orientation – 7:00PM  
28 – Drumline Audition – 6PM-9PM

**May:**

1 – Marching Band & Guard Registration Due  
12 – Drumline Rehearsal – 6PM – 8PM  
19 – Drumline Rehearsal – 3:30PM-5:30PM  
24 – Color Guard Training – 6PM – 9PM  
31 – Color Guard Training – 6PM – 9PM

**June:**

2 – Color Guard Training – 6PM – 9PM  
2 – Drumline Rehearsal – 6PM – 8PM  
4 – Marching Percussion – Front Ensemble Mini-Camp – 10AM-1PM  
9 – Drumline Rehearsal – 6PM – 8PM  
11 – Marching Percussion – Front Ensemble Mini-Camp – 10AM-1PM  
10 – Color Guard Training Clinic – 5PM – 9PM  
11 – Color Guard Training Clinic – 9AM – 6PM  
18 – Marching Percussion – Front Ensemble Mini-Camp – 10AM-1PM  
16 – Drumline Rehearsal – 6PM – 8PM  
18 – Marching Percussion – Drumline Mini-Camp – 10AM-3PM  
24 – Marching Percussion – Drumline Mini-Camp – 10AM-3PM

**July:**

6 – Color Guard Training Clinic - 5:30PM – 8:30PM  
13 – Color Guard Training Clinic - 5:30PM – 8:30PM  
20 – Color Guard Training Clinic - 5:30PM – 8:30PM  
27 – Color Guard Training Clinic - 5:30PM – 8:30PM

**August:**

9 – Section Leaders 8-12 (lunch provided)  
10 – **Rookie Day (new marchers) with Section Leaders** 8AM-4PM  
11-12 – **All Marchers Pre-Camp** 8AM-4PM  
15- Sept. 2 – **Band Camp – exact schedule TBD – rehearsals every day M-F**  
26 – **Home Football Game – Pep Band Only**  
30 – Band Parent Executive Board Meeting (in place of normal Sept. date) – 7:30PM

**September:**

1 – **Potluck Dinner and Preview Performance** – 6PM  
6 – First Day of School – regular practice schedule begins  
13 – General Band & Guard Parent Membership Meeting 7:30 PM in band room  
17 – **TAG DAY FUNDRAISER – All Band & Guard Students Participate**  
23 – **Home Football Game**  
24 – **Possible Marching Competition – USBands – Herndon Regional**  
30 – **Home Football Game**

**October:**

1 – **Possible Marching Competition – SAT and Oakton HS Cougar Classic**  
7 – **Home Football Game**  
15 – **Possible Marching Competition – USBands Reservoir HS Regional**  
22 – **Possible Marching Competition – USBands VA State Championship in VA Beach**  
28 – **Home Football Game - Homecoming**

**Schedule from the first day of school through the end of October:**

Tuesdays – 3:30-6:00PM  
Wednesdays – 7:00-9:30PM  
Thursdays – 3:30-6:00PM

**Other Notes:**

- Marching competitions take most of the day. There will be a rehearsal at school and then the competition. Times for everything will be based on when we are scheduled to perform.
- We will not do all of the competitions that are listed above. This will be scaled down a bit once the schedules are all released. Please keep these weekends open for the time being. We will most likely do three or four of these when we are all done.
- All rehearsals and performances are required.
- Percussion/Drumline/Color Guard times may vary slightly from this schedule, but will still remain on the same days

# **McLean High School Band Program Finance Information and Policies for School Year 2016-17**

The following is a description of **McLean High School Band Program** course material fees and FCPS-sponsored optional activity fees for participation in the music program for the upcoming season.

FCPS will not charge students a fee for any mandatory aspect of the marching band program except for musical instrument and consumable fees permitted by Virginia Department of Education (VDOE) regulations. Schools cannot require a student to pay fees for course materials in excess of the amount approved by the School Board in Notice 5922, Revenue, Tuition, and Fees – Student Fees.

## **Fee Structure**

The fee structure includes required Course Materials Fees and FCPS sponsored optional Activity Fees. Required course materials fees cover consumable materials associated with a course and are a required element of that course. FCPS sponsored optional activity fees are charged in connection with a particular activity and cover some or all of the actual costs of that activity. Participation in the particular activity is optional, but if a student decides to participate in the activity, payment of the activity fee is required.

## **Marching Band (including Color Guard)**

**Marching Band Course Materials Fee (\$195 due by May 6, 2016):** This fee is similar to required fees paid for certain other FCPS classes. It covers consumable materials related to the course. Examples of the consumable materials covered by this fee include: uniform purchases and maintenance, the drill book, music/choreography for the show, band t-shirt, instrument accessories, equipment repairs, and food during instructional activities. If fees collected exceed the costs incurred for all consumable materials, any excess fees will be set aside in an FCPS reserve account to fund future purchases of marching band uniforms.

**Marching Band Camp Activity Fee (\$215 due by June 10, 2016 and non-refundable after July 1, 2016):** This is an optional activity fee that students are expected to pay if they choose to participate in marching band. While participation in marching band is a required element of the Symphonic Band course, a student still has the choice of whether to participate in Symphonic Band or not. For a student who does not desire to participate in marching band, they can sign up for the Wind Ensemble or Concert Band course. This activity fee covers a portion of the costs of Marching Band Camp in August. Examples of such costs are marching band instruction, food and other miscellaneous expenses of Marching Band Camp.

**Marching/Color Guard Uniform Accessories (amount varies - due by June 1, 2016):** Certain uniform accessory items are required to be purchased separately by the students as needed. Orders for such items can be placed in the Charms online store. Examples of these items include marching band shoes, color guard shoes, color guard gloves, and replacement t-shirts.

**Marching Band Trip Activity Fee (Actual cost and due date TBD):** This optional activity fee covers the cost of trips taken for Marching Band competitions. For the 2016-2017 year, it is anticipated that there will be one competition that is out of the area and possibly an overnight trip. The amount of the fee will be determined when more information is available. The fee covers costs such as transportation, hotels (if applicable), and snacks/meals provided during the trip. If fees collected exceed the actual cost of the trip, excess fees will be refunded. Our estimated range for the fee at this time is \$175-\$215.

## **Concert Bands (Symphonic, Wind Ensemble and Concert Bands)**

**Concert Band Course Materials Fee (\$40 due by September 16, 2016):** This fee is similar to the fees that you pay for certain other FCPS classes. It covers consumable materials related to the course. Examples of the materials eligible to be covered by this fee include uniform purchases and maintenance, music, and instrument accessories. If fees collected exceed the costs incurred for all consumable materials, any excess fees will be set aside in an FCPS reserve account to fund future purchases of concert band uniforms.

**Uniform Accessories (amount varies and is due by September 16, 2016):** Certain uniform accessory items are required to be purchased separately by the students as needed. While certain concert uniform components are provided (jacket/vest, bow tie and cummerbund), students are responsible for purchasing and maintaining their shirt (including stud buttons), pants/skirt, and black dress shoes. All items except shoes are available in the Charms online store.

**Trip Activity Fee (Actual cost and due date TBD):** This optional activity fee covers the cost of trips taken by the concert bands. All concert bands generally go on one overnight trip to perform in a competition during the Spring. There have also been additional overnight trips in certain years. For example, the Symphonic Band has travelled to VMEA Conference in Virginia Beach, VA and to the Bands of America National Festival in Indianapolis, IN. While these overnight trips are not a required component of any course, most students generally choose to participate. Trip fees are determined and assessed based on the estimated costs of the trip (transportation, hotel, certain meals, etc.). If fees collected exceed the actual cost of the trip, any excess fees will be refunded.

**Musical Instrument Rental Fee (\$60 for percussionists, \$92 for wind and brass players – due October 1, 2016):** As per FCPS regulation 5922 this required fee is applicable to students who play school-owned instruments and covers maintenance costs of those school-owned instruments.

**Individual Performance Opportunities (amount varies – due date TBD):** There are opportunities throughout the school year for individual students to choose to audition and/or participate in other bands. Examples include the All-District or All-State Band and the Solo and Ensemble Festival. Audition or participation fees are often assessed for these opportunities by the sponsoring organization. These fees are communicated at the time other information about these opportunities is available.

## **Jazz Band**

**Jazz Band Course Materials Fee (\$100 – due date TBD):** Jazz Band is an FCPS course, in accordance with FCPS regulation 5922, where students receive credit and a grade for the class. This fee covers a portion of the consumable costs for the Jazz Band. Examples of such costs include instrument accessories, music, and food during instructional activities. Any surplus fees will be refunded.

**Uniform Accessories (amount varies- due date TBD):** Students are responsible for purchasing and maintaining their Jazz Band shirt.

## **Winter (Indoor) Guard**

Winter (Indoor) Guard Activity Fee (Amounts vary by group and are TBD— due date TBD): This fee covers a portion of the costs of Winter (Indoor) Guard which is an FCPS sponsored optional activity. Examples of such costs are Winter Guard instructional staff, uniforms, equipment and transportation of equipment to competitions. If fees collected exceed the actual cost of the activity, any surplus will be refunded.

Uniform Accessories (amount varies – due date TBD): Certain accessory items are required to be purchased separately by the students as needed. Orders for most items can be placed in the Charms online store. Examples of these items include warm up suits, color guard shoes, and color guard gloves.

Winter Guard Trip Activity Fee (Actual cost and due date TBD): This optional activity fee covers the cost of trips taken by the Winter Guard to competitions. Trip fees are determined and assessed based on the estimated costs of the trip (transportation, hotel, certain meals, etc.). If fees collected exceed the actual cost of the trip, any surplus will be refunded.

## **Payment Policies**

All payments, with the exception of Winter Guard payments, are tracked through Charms. Students and parents may login to their student account at any time to view fees and balances due. Payments may be made via credit card, cash, or check as described below. Again, Winter Guard payments must be made by cash or check and not through credit card (Charms).

- Credit Card payments are made through Charms. After making your payment, please log back into Charms to ensure that your payment appears within your student account.
- Payments made by check should be placed in the locked box in the band room. If paying by check, please make the check payable as instructed for the particular fee and write the name of the student and the name of the fee being paid in the memo line of the check. Please note that a fee will be assessed for any returned checks. Such fee will be the actual amount charged by the bank related to the returned check, not to exceed \$50.
- Paying by cash is discouraged. If paying by cash, please put the money in an envelope and write the name of the student and the name of the fee being paid (i.e. Tom Smith, Spring trip fee) and take the envelope to the front office of the school and give it to the MHS staff responsible for collecting such cash payments. A receipt will be given to you acknowledging the cash payment. **NO CASH PAYMENTS SHOULD BE DEPOSITED INTO THE LOCKBOX IN THE BAND ROOM.**

## **Refunds**

Typically fees paid are non-refundable once commitments and underlying purchases have been made. These refund policies will be communicated separately as they relate to individual activities.

## **Financial Assistance**

Financial assistance is available for those in need of such assistance. Requests for financial assistance should be made directly to the Band Director prior to the due date for the related fee.