

NCHS PERFORMING ARTS BOOSTERS

A Message from the President

“Now You Know”

Okay, some of you know us as the **NCHS Band Boosters**. We still are, but we are evolving! Our Booster entity now encompasses not only marching and concert bands, but also choir and drama! You will sometimes still see meeting notices and emails signed as Band Boosters, sometimes because I may be in a hurry and sometimes it's just because old habits are hard to break! But please don't let the name “Band” Boosters fool you ... if your student is in drama or choir, it applies to you as well! We invite your participation, your input, and your help!!

One of the reasons why this correspondence is being developed is that it has been brought to my attention that many parents do not “do” email or their kids don't bring home any information! I have had many tell me they would've helped if only they had known. Well, guess what? Now you'll know! I envision sending this out every other week.

Several parents spent a good part of the summer helping get ready for this year's marching band season. Major projects completed: built new pit carts, built new uniform carts with hat storage, 28 color guard swing flags have been sewn and put on poles (and they are beautiful!!), cabana-style tents on mobile bases have been constructed, and a huge circus tent was engineered from scaffolding and conduit and the covering assembled...not to mention a major clean up and new wall cabinets installed in our basketball concession stand!! These are just some of the things that have been done this summer. My thanks go out to every volunteer who helped with any aspect of it all! I hesitate to name names for fear of overlooking anyone, but you all know who you are! Many hands make light work and without you, I'm afraid many of us would have given up and thrown in the towel!!

Even though we have accomplished much this summer, we still have plenty to do:

- Uniform alterations, maintenance and upkeep
- Finishing touches on the large circus tent
- We need to do some physical alterations to the uniform room so that the new uniform carts will fit (moving shelving, rearranging, etc.)
- Our band truck needs painting (to Cardinal Red!) and we will most likely need to build some shelving for the interior of the truck (so we can fit everything in it!)

On performance/competition days, help in the following areas is needed:

- Designated pit crew: assembling the tents and rolling on/off the field, then disassembling and reloading in the truck;
- Help with hair prep before games, competitions, performances, etc. (marching band students hair must be under hat; color guard varies with program);
- Depending upon the itinerary for the day, we usually provide two meals for the kids, one is hot, the other is usually sandwiches, chips, and water provided by the boosters. We ask that parents bring in Cookies/Little Debbie's, fruit, or drink additive packets (for the bottled water) to supplement this meal. Need helpers to prepare and sometimes serve food;
- Provide tailgating meals before football games;
- Volunteers for football game concessions (sign up sheets in band room).

These are just some areas where you might be able to help. Others will become available and I'll include them on future correspondence. Any hours worked at school will be applied towards required fair share hours.

FAIR SHARE: Since we have been busy with the marching band show prep, the monthly statements may be delayed a bit. *Please submit your fair share payment even if you haven't received a statement! We have incurred lots of costs on the show prep and still need to pay the bills!!* If you need information on fair share or volunteer hours, please contact our Treasurer, Lynnett Izer, contact information can be found at bottom of newsletter.

FUNDRAISERS:

Fundraiser request forms have been submitted to the Board of Education for approval. Once we get them back, we will notify you of these opportunities. If you are interested in any of the following, please let us know:

- **Brantley Services** needs workers for parking and security for the race at Kentucky Speedway in Sparta, Kentucky on Saturday, September 4th. The call time is at noon on Saturday at the Brantley trailer in Sparta unless we hear otherwise. They also have Friday jobs available if it works better for you. Half hours go towards required volunteer hours, with half money earned applied against Fair Share/trip balance. Contact Sheri McGuffin on her cell at 507-5210 or email her at Sheri.McGuffin@nelson.kyschools.us. Car pooling may be available depending on days/hours. Sheri should have more of that information later this week.
- The Nelson County Education Endowment Fund (NCEFF) is **raffling off an iPad** and has offered us a fundraising opportunity with it. We would get to keep whatever we sell in tickets (if we sold 500 tickets, the Boosters would get to keep the \$500!! (NCEFF is paying for the iPad). The drawing is in October. Sounds like a win-win scenario for us. We will discuss incentives for this fundraiser at our meeting on September 7th, but if you have any ideas, please feel free to contact me.
- **Wickland:** Tuesday, October 5th, we are asked to prepare a picnic meal for the Board of Education. We have parents and gather donations of picnic food and items and the Board pays us \$400-\$500 for doing so. This is an easy fundraiser for us with more to follow in future correspondence. (Yes, this is the same night as our Booster meeting ... more on that later as well!)
- One major event that we hope will be available is the **Horseshoe Casino fundraiser** on Saturday, October 16th and again on November 20th. I've attached an information sheet on this trip, please post at your work along with a sign up sheet if you can. Tickets are \$25 with \$10 of each ticket **you** sell (the Board of Education requires that **students be prohibited from selling these tickets**), will be applied towards your student's fair share/trip account. PLEASE NOTE that all \$25 is retained by the Boosters and \$0 is paid to Mattingly Travel for transportation. The way I understand it is that Mattingly Tours is paid directly by the casino.
- If you don't have a **specially-designated Boosters Kroger gift card**, please contact me so that we can provide one to you. These gift cards come with \$5 preloaded on the card. Every time you reload money onto the card and use it, 4% of your purchases are rebated to the Boosters. Good for groceries, pharmacy and gas purchases!! If everyone uses one, this rebate program can add up quickly!
- Next **bingo** dates: October 20, November 17, or December 22 from 5:30 to 9:30. Sign up sheets will be posted in the band room.

A BIG SHOUT OUT THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO STEPPED UP AND WORKED THE PIT CREW AT THE PREVIEW SHOW AT ADAIR COUNTY!! YOU ALL ROCK!!

Next Booster meeting: Tuesday, September 7th 6:30 p.m. in Band Room. Hope to see you there!!

BOOSTER OFFICERS

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Attachments:

- Elizabethtown Itinerary
- Casino trip info & spreadsheet

HORSESHOE CASINO TRIP

ROUND TRIP TRANSPORTATION PROVIDED BY MATTINGLY TOURS

Two dates:

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 16 and SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2010

LEAVING WAL-MART PARKING LOT 5:00 P.M.,
ARRIVE BACK AT MIDNIGHT.

\$25 EACH INCLUDES:

ROUND TRIP TRANSPORTATION TO HORSESHOE CASINO VIA
MATTINGLY TOURS COACH

AND \$12 FOOD VOUCHER TO BE USED ***AT ANY RESTAURANT*** IN
THE CASINO.

PAULA DEEN'S RESTAURANT OPENS LABOR DAY WEEKEND! SATURDAY NIGHT IS \$28 SEAFOOD BUFFET, YOUR COST AFTER \$12 FOOD VOUCHER IS \$16.
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MATTINGLY TOURS PROVIDES OUR TRANSPORTATION FREE OF CHARGE, ALLOWING THE BOOSTERS TO RETAIN 100% OF THE TICKET PRICE TO SUPPORT THEIR ANNUAL OPERATING BUDGET. \$10 OF EACH TICKET MAY BE DESIGNATED TO A STUDENT IN MARCHING BAND, CONCERT BAND, DRAMA, OR CHOIR TO BE APPLIED TOWARDS THE STUDENT'S FARE SHARE ACCOUNT. THE REMAINING \$15 GOES INTO THE BOOSTERS' OPERATING BUDGET.
NO STUDENT IS ALLOWED TO SELL TICKETS.

MATTINGLY TOURS REQUIRES A MINIMUM OF 40 PASSENGERS.

COOLERS WILL BE ALLOWED ON THE BUS WITH A \$100 DEPOSIT
(BOOSTERS WILL PAY DEPOSIT).

NO ONE UNDER 21 ALLOWED ON THE BUS OR IN THE CASINO.
BRING I.D. OR DRIVER'S LICENSE

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION:

PLEASE CONTACT BOOSTERS PRESIDENT, SUSIE REDMON, AT
502-833-9888 OR 502-500-9659.

HORSESHOE CASINO Sign-Up Sheet

\$25

Includes RT transportation and \$12 meal voucher.

# tickets	Name	Phone	E-mail	Notes/Student Designee*	Paid?

*Student designee of your choice to benefit from the purchase of your ticket(s).