

Parent Supplement



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Baldwin Highlander Music Patrons, Inc.

BALDWIN HIGHLANDER MUSIC PATRONS

2019-2020 Officers

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The Baldwin Highlander Music Patrons, Inc. (BHMP) is a parent support organization for the Baldwin High School Music Department. We are a non-profit 501C3 organization. All parents of music department students are encouraged to become members and to volunteer to help support the students involved in the Music Department activities.

The Music Patrons assist in nearly all aspects of the BHS Marching Band Program. We host competitions and fundraisers. We help with the movement of equipment and build props for shows. We provide chaperones for football games, competitions, parades and trips; maintain uniforms and equipment; serve on committees; manage a comprehensive fundraising program to defray costs to families; and most importantly provide enthusiastic support for all the students at all Music Department events.

MEMBERSHIP

All parents are asked to become members of the Baldwin Highlander Music Patrons. The cost of membership is \$5 per person. Membership entitles you to be a voting member of the Music Patrons, hold committee chair positions and allows you to be a chaperone or work on the logistics committee.

VOLUNTEERING

Volunteers who will come into contact with our students during the course of their work must submit a volunteer application through the Baldwin-Whitehall School District. Application materials can be found online at bwschools.net under volunteering in our schools. All chaperons, logistic and uniform volunteers must have all clearances.

“FAIR SHARE” and FUNDRAISING

Each member of the marching band is asked to fundraise or pay a “fair share” fee of \$75. This fee will be due by August 31st. This fee offsets the cost of uniform supplies, props, meals on competition Saturdays, halftime drink and snack, additional staff, entry fees and more. This “fair share” obligation can be met through various fundraising activities sponsored by the Music Patrons or by making direct payment on behalf of the student.

FUNDRAISING

The Music Patrons offer many fundraising opportunities throughout the year. All funds raised belong to the Baldwin Highlander Music Patrons, Inc. Profits earned through individual student fundraising are earmarked to assist that student with music related costs, such as band camp, purchasing necessary items and the annual trip. Individual accounts can be tracked using the students Charms account. The first \$75 raised through fundraising will be used as your “fair share” payment, unless you chose to make a direct payment. Profits earned through other fundraisers, such as hosting competitions, are put into our general fund and support the entire marching band.

All fundraisers are to be paid by one check or money order made out to Baldwin Highlander Music Patrons (BHMP). **NO CASH PLEASE!** Please include your students name on the memo line along with the name of the fundraiser. Checks will be held for a minimum of 10 days to allow time for the student to collect payment from their customers. For returned checks, the bank service charges will be assessed to the student’s account.

COMMITTEES

The BHMP also offers several ways to get involved and volunteer with our organization. Our committees include: Banquet, Chaperone, Concessions, Funnel Cake, Hoagie, Logistics/Props, Membership, Patron Clothing, Publicity, Scholarship, Senior Recognition, Social, Uniform and Ways and Means. We highly encourage all families to get involved in BHMP.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

BHMP meetings are generally held on the third Tuesday of every month at 7pm, in the high school North Cafeteria. There is no meeting in December.

Join our Facebook group at Baldwin Highlander Music Patrons for additional information, reminders or to ask questions.

If you have any questions or would like additional information please email us at bhsmusic@bwschools.net