



WARRIORS IN TUNE

June & July 2019

Website: <http://www.washingtonbands.org>
<https://www.facebook.com/WashingtonHighSchoolBandsSiouxFallsSd>

UPCOMING EVENTS:

June:

- 10:** Band Booster Meeting 7 PM
- 18-19:** Rookie Camp 6-8 PM
- 20:** Ice Cream Social & Summer Sectional 5-8 PM
(Parents invited at 7 PM)
- 21:** Scrip Card Order Due
- 27:** Summer Sectionals 4-8 PM
- 28:** No rehearsal

July:

- 8-12:** Drumline Camp 9 AM - 4 PM
- 8:** Band Booster Meeting 7 PM
- 11:** Summer Sectionals 4-8 PM
- 19:** Scrip Card Order Due
- 15-19:** Drumline and Colorguard Camps 9 AM – 5 PM
- 18:** Summer Sectionals 4-8 PM
- 22-26:** Marching Camp 8:30 AM – 5 PM
- 29-31:** Marching Camp 8:30 AM – 5 PM

Note from the Director:

Warrior Band Families,

Happy summer! June is finally here. We have graduated some AMAZING seniors and are looking forward to welcoming the new class of 2023 to the band program.

WHS Marching Band Families

Of course, the best part about summer is marching band! We have just a little over two weeks until Rookie Camp begins. This camp is for ALL NEW MEMBERS. Whether you are an incoming freshman or a sophomore – senior that is new to marching band, this camp is required for all new marchers. We will get music and instruments, introduce staff, talk about what to expect from the season, and learn commands/how to march. Rookie Camp will take place on **June 18 and 19 from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM** in the WHS Band Room.

Then, the whole marching season begins on **Thursday, June 20**. All marching band students will arrive for rehearsal at 5 PM. There will a parent meeting in the WHS Commons at 7:00 PM and then we will all enjoy ice cream afterwards. Students WILL NOT rehearse after eating ice cream. The parent meeting will be used to discuss standards for the season, items your student needs, band camp, competitions, etc.

All Band Families

Every student that participates in band is required to have an Activities Health Form filled out and on file with the SFSD as ALL band members travel at some point for competitions or Large Group Contest. For marching band students, this form is required by June 20th. For non- marchers, this form is required by the first day of school. This form can be filled out on your parent Infinite Campus; it will not work on your student's Infinite Campus. If you would like more instructions on how to complete this form, please visit our website at www.washingtonbands.org. On the left-side panel, there is a tab called "WHS Band Shared Drive." This will be updated often with forms that you will need throughout the year in the band program. In there, you will find the instructions for filling out the health form. It is called "SFSD Activity Packet." Thank you in advance for getting this done in a timely manner!

Lastly, if you attended our final Spring concert of the year, you heard about our upcoming trip: The WHS Band will be traveling to San Antonio, TX in February 2021! ALL BAND STUDENTS can attend our Texas adventure so we would like to get you thinking about fundraising early! We have several fundraisers throughout each year for students to raise their target fee and for our big trips every four years. See information about our ongoing fundraisers at the end of this newsletter. Whatever your student fundraises OVER their target fee for the year, gets transferred into their next school year and can go towards funding San Antonio. We will have an informational parent meeting in the spring about this trip.

We hope you have a restful summer and enjoy the break. See you soon!

Your student is in the band program! Welcome!

It takes a village to make the band program work. We have mentor parents that would be happy to answer any questions as the year progresses. What should we send to band camp with our kid? What does it mean when the schedule says "summer sectionals"? How do fundraisers for my student work?

There are a lot of opportunities for you to help the band as well.

--- Do you want to travel with the band to shows?

--- Do you like to sew?

--- Do you have no idea how you can help, but you want to support your kid?

You don't have to commit to a lot of hours. There are jobs that are as easy as going to a football game and helping the kids for one night. No special skills are required.

Band boosters meet once a month. This is great place to meet other parents and ask the questions that your student can't answer for you. Meetings are usually the second Monday of each month at 7 pm in the WHS Band Room. We keep meetings lighthearted and usually at an hour long. We laugh a lot. We would love it if you would join us.

If you have any questions right now, or in the future, don't hesitate to reach out to:

Kristi Cornette 605-941-4631 kristicornette@gmail.com or

Amy Benda 605-323-7420 bendaamy@gmail.com

We would like all incoming parents to be assigned to a mentor parent. It keeps Mrs. Coyne and Mr. Harder from having to field questions during their busiest time of the year. If you wouldn't mind emailing Amy or Kristi your contact information, they will give you a name of someone that can answer your questions all year long.



THANK YOU!!!

Thank you to Sheila Hoff for donating \$300 to the Washington High School Band for the purchase of a new bass drum. Sheila helped raise the funds by participating in her company's fundraising program. Please consider the WHS band if your company has a matching program. Thanks again, Sheila!

Thank you, too, to our new board members: Kristi Cornette and Amy Benda (co-presidents), Sheila Hoff (vice president), Jan and Brian Questad (treasurers), and Carey Deaver (secretary).

Ice Cream Social & First Summer Sectional

Thursday, June 20th at 5 PM – WHS Commons



The first full summer sectional will be held on June 20th from 5-8 PM. Students will meet with their marching band sections and enjoy their first full night of marching band for the 2019-2020 school year! Parents are encouraged to come at 7 PM for a brief meeting and then to join the ice cream social event immediately afterwards. HyVee cards and Interstate batteries will also be available along with other fundraising information. This will be a great time to meet and visit with other band parents!

Do you shop at Amazon.com? If so you could help support the WHS band at the same time. By going to smile.amazon.com you can purchase all of the same items, for the same price and Amazon.com will donate 0.5% to the WHS band. All you need to do is visit smile.amazon.com and select Sioux Falls Washington High School Marching Band Boosters as your charity. Please follow the link below to set up this easy and convenient fundraiser. <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/46-0442873>

Student Accounts-Charms

We ask that you access your students account and update their information. Warrior Bands uses “Charms” for a number of purposes: Account Balances, Student Information Access and most of all Communication – all band information is emailed through Charms.

Here’s how to access:

1. Click on this link: www.charms.com
2. Hover over the “Enter/Login” Button and select Parent/Student/Members
3. Enter the school code: WashingtonBand. Click Enter Charms
4. Enter the student password, which is your WHS Student ID. Click Enter

Click on UPDATE STUDENT INFORMATION to see/update your student and parent information. Fill out as much contact information as possible, so that we can keep you up to date and contact you. Please check the EMAIL ADDRESS, PHONE NUMBER AND ADDRESSES areas. From there, you can access the FINANCES area to see the current balance of your Individual Student Account (ISA). This will also give you a summary of what the student has earned.

Fundraising

There are many fundraising options to help you meet the amount that will be needed for target amounts for Marching Band, Jazz Band and Concert Band students. A target amount is a goal for each student to raise into their Individual Student Account that goes back to the WHS Boosters who help cover all the costs for the year. Note: This is not a FEE. The target covers travel costs (busing), drill writer, hiring of staff, color guard choreography, flag material, sticks, etc. **Target Amounts: Marching Band Students - \$225, Jazz Students - \$100, Concert Band Students - \$50** -- Any additional amounts over the target will stay in the student account for the next year.

To help students meet these target amounts, fundraisers are held throughout the school year. At the start of Marching Band Camp, WHS Band Discount Cards will be sold. The WHS Band cards offer the highest profit of all of our fundraisers. The cards sell for \$10/piece and \$9 from each card sale will go back to the student account. Throughout the school year, we have fundraisers that are open to all WHS Band students including chocolate, coffee, Holiday gifts, Flyboy donuts, Puffins, and other fundraising opportunities. All of the WHS band fundraising information can be found on the band website at the following link: <http://www.washingtonbands.org/fundraising.html>.

We have some ongoing fundraisers that run through the summer months including HyVee Cards, Interstate Batteries and Scrip Cards. These ongoing fundraisers are the best way to build funds into your student account with everyday purchases.

HyVee Cards: WHS Band families pay face value for HyVee cards with 5% going into the student account. HyVee card orders are due the first and third Monday of each month. HyVee cards are also available for purchase at Band Booster meetings, Band Concerts and other band events. If you purchase \$525 of HyVee cards in a month, you will receive \$525 in HyVee cards plus \$25 will go into the student account. In one month, you could have added \$25 into the student account. The form for HyVee cards is at the end of the newsletter and also on the band website.

Batteries: The WHS Band Boosters has Interstate Batteries for sale. Packs of 24 – AA & AAA batteries available. The packs sell for \$15 each and the students receive a profit of \$9-\$10 on each pack sold. Batteries are also sold at Band Booster meetings, Band concerts and other events. The battery form is available on the band website.

Scrip Cards: WHS Band Boosters orders gift cards at a discount from Great Lakes Scrip Center; WHS Band families pay face value for the cards and the difference is an instant rebate for your students account. The average portion of each scrip rebate that could be earned toward your student's account is **5%**. If you would spend the following on: Food - \$400/month, Clothing - \$100/month, Gas - \$150/month, Dining out - \$100/month, Entertainment - \$50/month for a Total of \$800/month -- Based on these sample spending levels, you could earn **\$40/month** toward your students account.

A family that works at the program by focusing their spending by using the scrip participating retailers has the opportunity to earn much more! It does take some initial planning, but once you are in the routine, you will see your students account grow just by using gift cards instead of using cash, checks, or credit cards for your everyday purchases. It only takes a few minutes to set-up your account and you will be on your way to adding to your student account! Instructions for placing a Scrip order are available on the band website: <http://www.washingtonbands.org/fundraising.html> - Click on the 'Learn More' button under the Shop with Scrip section. The cards arrive within 3-5 days from the due date. If you choose a ScripNow card, your cards will be ready immediately...details in the instructions! There are over 300 businesses to choose from and many retailers that offer rebates over **9%**, check out the information and get started today! The summer Scrip Card due dates: **June 21th, July 19th, August 16th**.

Fundraising information will be in the newsletters and also will be sent through the Charms email system. If you have any questions about WHS Fundraising, please email washingtonbandsinfo@gmail.com or contact:

HyVee Cards: Dawn Taborda (321-0607)

Scrip Cards: Linda Weidner (359-0872)

General Fundraising Information: Alaina Lewis (323-9622)

WHS Band Hy-Vee Card Fundraiser

Hy-Vee Card **ORDERS** are due the first and third Monday of each month (Tuesday if Monday holiday).

Hy-Vee card orders (clearly label as Hy-Vee order) should be left in the designated envelope in the band room at the time your student has class or mailed/delivered to **Dawn Taborda, 2208 E. 1st Street, Sioux Falls, SD 57103** up until 8pm on due date. During summer months, all orders must be mailed/delivered to Dawn Taborda.

Hy-Vee Card **PICK-UP** is on the Thursday of the order week (Tuesday on Thanksgiving week).

Hy-Vee cards can be picked up from 6:30 – 7:00 PM at **616 N. Leadale Ave, Sioux Falls, SD 57103**. If you will be unable to pick up your order at this time contact me at **321-0607 (cell)** or email me at **dawnmomx4@aol.com** to arrange another time. Pick-up will be at the school if a Band Concert or band event is occurring on the scheduled pick-up night.

Hy-Vee Cards will also be available for purchase at Band Booster meetings, Band Concerts and other band events.

WHS BAND HY-VEE CARD ORDER FORM

Date _____ Student Name _____

Parent/Guardian Name _____

Phone # _____ Email address: _____

*Payment must accompany the order blank, **Checks only please.**

*Make checks **payable to WHS band.**

Select dollar amount you wish to purchase (\$105, \$210, \$420, \$525, \$630, \$840 or \$1050),
fill in denominations desired and record check #

	Amount ordered	\$10	\$25	\$50	\$100	Check #
Hy-Vee	Total due \$105 (You will get \$105 in Hy-Vee cards + \$5 into student account)					
Hy-Vee	Total due \$210 (You will get \$210 in Hy-Vee cards + \$10 into student account)					
Hy-Vee	Total due \$420 (You will get \$420 in Hy-Vee cards + \$20 into student account)					
Hy-Vee	Total due \$525 (You will get \$525 in Hy-Vee cards + \$25 into student account)					
Hy-Vee	Total due \$630 (You will get \$630 in Hy-Vee cards + \$30 into student account)					
Hy-Vee	Total due \$840 (You will get \$840 in Hy-Vee cards + \$40 into student account)					
Hy-Vee	Total due \$1050 (You will get \$1050 in Hy-Vee cards + \$50 into student account)					