

The Cheshire High School Band Parents' Association, Inc.



Form 7 PARENT VOLUNTEER FORM

Parent (s) Name: _____

We need the help of BAND PARENTS in order for our music programs to succeed. Your help is needed for our operating activities, fund-raising activities and special events. Please review the Job Descriptions (see page 2) and sign up for more than one activity by checking off in the spaces next to the activities shown below.

| | | Father | Mother | |
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| Operating Activities | When | √ | √ | Notes |
| Preseason Student & Parent picnics | Aug 19 & 25 | | | |
| Chaperone - Marching Band | Sept-Nov | | | |
| Chaperone - Winter Guard | Sept-April | | | |
| Guard Flags & Uniforms creation | Sept-April | | | |
| Props / Visuals Crew | Aug-Oct | | | |
| Pit Crew | Sept-Oct | | | |
| Elementary School visit | early Oct | | | |
| Band Banquet | Sept-Nov | | | |
| Website | year-round | | | Webmaster(s) to maintain "ramband.com" |
| Publicity | periodically | | | Help with photos, articles |
| Concert Usher | Dec, May | | | Sit with students awaiting/after performance |
| Scholarship Committee | Feb-Mar | | | |
| Winter Guard Exhibition | March | | | |
| Jazz Festival | April | | | |
| Memorial Day Parade | May | | | |
| Nominating Committee | Mar-May | | | |
| Pancake Breakfast | Sept-Nov | | | Provide Breakfast for Band before Thanksgiving game / also public as Fundraiser |
| Quartermaster | Sept-May | | | Maintain and distribute uniforms |
| Chaperones - Graduation | June | | | |
| Fundraising Activities | | | | |
| Cheshire Marketplace & Festival | Sept | | | Prep, cook & sell sandwiches |
| Oldies Concert concession | | | | |
| Merchandise Sales [plants, pies...] | Sept-Oct | | | |
| Music in Motion® | Oct 11 | USE FORM 8 | | All hands on deck!; see Form 8 |
| N.E. Festival | 12/10/11 | | | Sell concessions |
| Ram Card Sales\Entertainmnt Cards | Nov-Feb | | | Contact merchants, coordinate sales efforts |
| November Train Show | Oct-Nov | | | Set-up Sat Nov 19, event Sunday Nov 20, 2011 |
| March Train Show | Feb-Mar | | | Set-up Sat Mar 3, event Sunday Mar 4, 2011 |
| Christmas Tree Pickup | Dec-Jan | | | Saturday January 7th. |

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Job Descriptions for Operating Activities

Preseason Picnics – Lend a hand with set-up, cooking on the grill and clean-up for our picnics. The Student picnic is at the end of the first Friday of practice from about noon until 2pm. The Parent Picnic is on the Thursday evening of the second week of practice.

Chaperones – Marching Band, & Winter Guard: Props/Visuals and Pit Crews:

Chaperone tasks include supervising loading and unloading buses, traveling with the students, accompanying the band/guard through each staging area and ensuring that uniforms, hair and appearance are correct. Some chaperones may also assist with instruments and visuals.

Props/visuals crew plans and constructs field show visual equipment. Pit crew handles the “pit percussion” instruments. Both crews’ tasks include loading and unloading equipment trucks, preparing visuals and instruments for competition and stowing equipment upon return to CHS.

Volunteers must attend an orientation program and be available for at least 50% of the scheduled competitions. Due to the activity involved, volunteers must not have any medical restrictions for lifting, bending, walking, etc.

Guard Flags and Uniforms: Cut, sew and paste flags, visuals and guard uniforms. No experience necessary!

Elementary Schools visit: Help the Marching Band visit our elementary schools during a school day, usually in early October. This requires a few chaperones from about 7am-2pm for buses & lunch-time and pit percussion instrument handlers.

Band Banquet: Help to plan the displays, decorations and logistics in preparation for the annual Marching Band banquet – a night of memories and fun.

Scholarship Committee: Review applications and select seniors for scholarships offered by the BPA.

Winter Guard Exhibition & Dinner – Help to plan this event that features the Guard members. It has been a “sell-out” every year!

Percussion Festival – Plan this unique event showcasing the percussion students!

Jazz Festival – Help plan this ever-popular event featuring our jazz students along with other visiting jazz bands and a professional jazz artist.

Memorial Day Parade – Join us for a stroll down Route 10 as we help the Marching Band with uniforms and instruments, supply them with water during the parade and provide some refreshment after the parade.

Nominating Committee: Be part of the committee that reviews nominations and prepares a slate of officers for the next school year.