



Clayton Valley High School Music Boosters

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Dear Band and Orchestra Families:

The 2011-12 school year is approaching quickly! Our new director, Joseph Scott, is excited to be with us. If you have not already read his welcome letter, you can find it on the home page of our website. Please take note of all the following important information for band and orchestra families.

COMMUNICATION

Mr. Scott and the Music Boosters will communicate with families primarily through email and postings on our website, www.claytonbands.org. It is **imperative** that we have a current parent email address. Please add linminmailbox-music@yahoo.com to your address book as this is the official email address of the CVHS Music Boosters. If you have not received email from Music Boosters this summer, we either do not have contact information for you or our emails are going to your spam folder. **Please email Music Boosters a.s.a.p. to add your name to the distribution list and verify that our email address is not being blocked from your inbox.** Mr. Scott's email address is scottjp@mdusd.org. Our website is updated frequently and we suggest that you get in the habit of checking it regularly so you don't miss anything.

A **CVHS Instrumental Music Contact/Payment Form** is enclosed. Please complete and return, with any applicable payments, either to Mr. Scott during Marching Band or Rally Band Camp or to the Music Boosters Table at Walk-Thru. Payments can be made by check, payable to CVHS Music Boosters, or thru the CVHS Web Store. **Please note that Music Boosters transactions can no longer be processed through the school web store. We are in the process of setting up our own web store and hope to be operational by the week of Walk-Thru. Until then, we can only accept checks or cash.** We apologize for any inconvenience.

CVHS Walk Thru – 1:00pm to 3:00pm on Tuesday, August 23rd (9th grade); 8:30am to 1:00pm on Wednesday, August 24th (11th grade) and Thursday, August 25th (10th & 12th grades). **Please stop by the CVHS Music Boosters Information Table.**

MEET & GREET POTLUCK – All band and orchestra students and their families are invited to a **Meet & Greet Potluck** on Thursday, August 25th at 6:30pm in the CVHS lower quad behind the Band Room, M3. **Please bring your own main course, already cooked or ready to grill, a beverage, and if your last name begins with A thru L, please bring an Appetizer or Salad (green, pasta, etc.) to share; if your last name begins with M thru Z, please bring a dessert.** We will provide a grill and charcoal.

MARCHING BAND– Marching Band and Rally Band camp dates and times are posted on the website. Students may elect to participate in **Rally Band only** or **Marching Band and Rally**

Band. Please see Payment Form for fees. **Note that all MB students are automatically members of RB and do not need to pay the additional fees.**

T-SHIRTS & SWEATSHIRTS

ALL band and orchestra students will receive a T-Shirt at no charge. Marching Band and Rally Band participants will receive a sweatshirt as part of their fees. **Additional T-shirts and sweatshirts (for parents or students) will be available for purchase through the end of walk-thru only. We need all sizes by August 25th!** Please see enclosed form for details.

MUSIC BOOSTERS MEMBERSHIP DONATIONS – Your Music Boosters Membership Donation will help support instrument purchases and repairs, music purchases, clinicians in the classroom, band fees, awards, transportation and much more! Most area high schools request a band/orchestra fee in addition to Music Boosters Membership. We do not have band class fees other than for Marching and Rally Bands but we do request each family to consider making a tax-deductible Music Boosters donation at the level that best fits their budget. This money will ensure that we can continue to fund our programs.

CONCERT DRESS – All young women in Wind Ensemble, Symphonic Band and Orchestra are required to wear our long black performance dress and black dress shoes. Information regarding fittings will be provided soon; purchase information is on the enclosed form. Optional garment bags are available as well for any student. Concert Dress for young men is black pants, black jacket (or black suit), black socks, black dress shoes, white shirt and red tie.

MUSIC & INSTRUMENTS

Much of the sheet music students will receive is original, i.e. not a photocopy, and will be collected when they are no longer playing that piece. Please take care not to lose or damage the music. If you are checking out a school-owned instrument, please be certain to complete a *Parental Responsibility Agreement*, available in the band room.

FUNDRAISING – There will be fun events, points opportunities, restaurant nights and other ways to help support our bands and orchestra. Also, don't forget these painless ways to raise funds: Escript at Safeway and other locations, SHARES cards for Lucky, Jamba Juice Sip-to-Support Program, GoodSearch.com and GoodShop.com (select Clayton Valley High School Music Boosters as the beneficiary of your searching and online shopping). Further information is available on our web site.

We look forward to a great year! We have exciting things planned including a spring trip to New York or another destination. Information will be available shortly.

Sincerely,

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