

2010 Marching Band Payment Schedule

Below is the fee payment schedule for this year's Marching Band. Please note that all fees must be paid by October 6th. **Checks should be made payable to FSFAB.** Payments can be placed in the locked metal drop box outside Mr. Jamison's office door, or mailed to the Marching Band Financial Assistant, Stephanie Melnick, at: 110 Cambridge Blvd., Pleasant Ridge, MI 48069

If financial circumstances make it difficult for you to meet the payment schedule below, please talk to Mr. Jamison, as soon as possible, about a longer-term payment plan. Also, we strongly encourage you to participate in the student account fundraisers we will be offering. The profit you earn is applied to your fees.

Payment Dates	Amount Due			
	New Members		Returning Members	
	Pit & Battery members	All Other Members	Pit & Battery members	All Other Members
June 7, 2010	\$135*	\$125*	\$120**	\$115
June 23, 2010	\$135**	\$120	\$120**	\$100
August 9, 2010	\$100	\$100	\$100	\$100
October 6, 2010	\$100	\$100	\$100	\$100
Total Fee	\$470	\$445	\$440	\$415

*Includes one-time \$30 shoe fee.

**Extra \$25 mallet fee is charged to pit and battery members.

Refund Policy:

Should your student terminate their participation in the marching band program, you will receive a full refund if the student leaves on or before June 14th. After June 14th, but before August 9th, they will receive a 50% refund. No refunds will be given to students who leave the band after August 9th. Please note that money you have raised through Student Account Fundraising is not refundable.

Sibling Discount:

First child in the family pays full amount. Each additional child receives a \$40 discount.

FAB Policy Regarding Overdue Fees

Due to problems in past years, the Ferndale Schools Fine Arts Boosters (FAB) now prohibits any student who owes fees from a prior FAB-sponsored activity from participating in another FAB activity until all past-due fees have been paid.

2010 Fund Raising Opportunities to Help Cover Fees

Student accounts

What they are: In order to help families defray the cost of Marching Band, as well as other FHS fine arts programs, the FAB offers students the opportunity to earn fee credits through fund raising. A fund raising account is created for each student and the profit earned from student account fund raisers is credited to this account. These credits may then be applied to fees owed for FAB supported activities.

What they are not: Student accounts are *not* cash accounts. They are credits which may only be used for FAB supported activities. Students with credits remaining in their accounts upon graduation or departure from the Ferndale School District may, by June 30 of that year, designate those credits for

the account of another student or for the FAB General Fund. Undesignated credits will automatically transfer to the FAB. Student account credits may not be converted to cash.

View Your Student Account Online: You can check your child's student account balance online at the FAB website, using a unique ID that is assigned to each student that has fund raising credit. Contact Connie Jacobs at cjacobs8815@sbcglobal.net for details.

Student Account Fund Raisers For 2010 Band Season –

Plans are still being finalized for this season's fundraisers, but include Car Magnets, Marching Band Rummage Sale and March-a-thon. 95% of the profit from each student's sales is applied to their account to offset Marching Band fees. The remaining 5% goes to the FAB general fund to help subsidize the marching band and other FAB programs.

Important Marching Band Fundraisers to Help Cover Costs – Parent & student participation is critical to make these activities a success.

- 1. Tag Day (August 28th and 29th)** - Marching Band students stand in front of local businesses and solicit donations for the band. Each band student is expected to work at least one 2-hour shift for this event. Students sign up to work in groups of two. Adults are welcome to accompany their students if they wish. In addition, 10 – 12 parents are needed to help with various tasks over the course of the day.
- 2. Dinner and a Show (formerly Command Performance) – October 20th** – Students sell tickets for the raffle of dinner for 4 and a rehearsal of the band, all viewed from the football stadium press box (there will be 2 winners). **Each student is expected to sell at least 10 tickets.** Ticket price is \$2.00.

Also, don't forget our Flamingo Flocking Fundraiser

For a donation of \$25 (\$15 for students) you can send a flock of 25 flamingos to a lawn of your choice within the Ferndale School District. Or send 50 flamingos for \$50. The flamingos will flock anywhere in the School District, and will occasionally fly across district lines to neighboring cities for an additional charge. Flamingo" Insurance" is also available for \$30. Once insured, the flock cannot visit your yard for 30 days.

See the FSFAB website www.fsfab.org for more information, and to schedule a flocking.

Do you have other fundraising ideas for the band? We are always looking for new ways to support the Marching Band and welcome anyone who would be willing to coordinate a fundraising event. Please contact one of the Marching Band Committee Board Members: Cathy Greer (Chairperson, 248-722-4994), Jim Pflieger (Vice-Chairperson, 248-414-5216), Leah Closson (Communications Secretary, 248-542-5324), Stephanie Melnick (Financial Assistant, 248-543-4060), Jim Shaffer (Fundraising Coordinator).