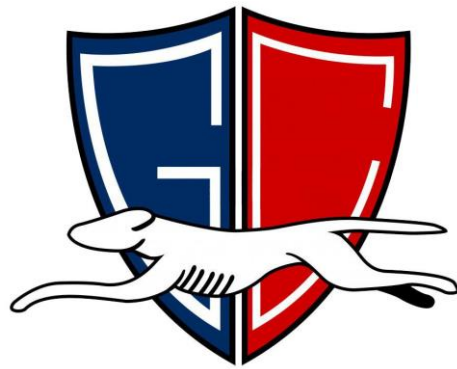


GROVE CITY HIGH SCHOOL BAND BOOSTERS



PARENT HANDBOOK

2018-2019

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**P.O. BOX 403
GROVE CITY, OHIO 43123**

May, 2018

Dear Band Parent:

Congratulations on the success of your student becoming a member of the Grove City High School Band. By participating in the band program at Grove City High School, your student will become involved with one of the finest high school music education programs offered anywhere and will be a part of one of the most award-winning band programs in the nation. The band maintains a high level of achievement through hard work on the part of the students, the leadership of the directors and staff, and the support of the band booster organization.

The Grove City Band Boosters is a non-profit organization; its purpose is to provide support to this outstanding program. As president of the Grove City Band Boosters, I urge you to become an active member of the band program by joining the band boosters; the boosters are a very active group. It is also a fun group to be a part of and a way to make new lifelong friends.

The boosters work year-round to meet the needs of the band program. To assure the success of the upcoming year we need your support. Chaperoning, medical support, uniforms, transportation and logistics, concessions, and many various types of fundraisers are some examples of what band boosters can do to help support the band.

Please take the time over the next few months to become involved and learn as much as possible about the boosters, and do not be afraid to volunteer your services. I assure you that once you see what these students can accomplish, you will agree that your time has been well spent. Again, welcome to the program, and I am looking forward to meeting and working with each of you.

Sincerely,

Bob Long

Bob Long, President

Grove City High School Band Boosters

BAND BOOSTERS INFORMATION

BAND BOOSTER OFFICERS 2018-2019

President	Bob Long	614-370-6655
Vice President	Dave Jarrell	419-575-3117
Secretary	Julie Oyster	614-937-5184
Treasurer	Sayuri Criss	614-571-8595
Statutory Agent	Cindy Sgalla	614-581-5347
Past President	Roland Kreml	614-330-1204
Senior Trustee	Rich Bingham	614-425-0343
Junior Trustee	Gary Russell	614-563-5901
Sophomore Trustee	Mark Bungart	614-499-6270
Freshman Trustee	TBD	
Guard Trustee	Jessica Dimel	614-519-1863

MENTORING PROGRAM

The Mentoring program is one of the best programs we have in place for new families. All new students will be assigned a mentor. Your mentor is an experienced family in the band in a like-instrument section who can help you answer question and to know how to navigate your first year. You will have their contact information as they will have yours. Keep in mind these are volunteers and they want to help. If you are not sure about something, or are confused, reach out to your mentor - they want to help. Contact the Mentoring Chair at mentoring@gchsbands.org with questions.

BAND BOOSTERS MAJOR FUNDRAISERS

(This is a list of the major fundraisers, but there are many others)

ACTIVITY	DATE	ACTIVITY	DATE
Kroger card / Amazon Smile	All Year	Spring Band Bazaar	April
Scrip	All Year	Candy Sale	Various
Levy Concessions	All Year	Run Like a Greyhound 5k	July
Stadium Concessions Stand	Football Season	Pinnacle March	August
Grove City Band Invitational	October	Street Concerts	August
Fall Band Bazaar	November	Many other fundraisers	

These fundraisers provide funds to cover the many expenses. The largest expenses are listed below.

BAND BOOSTERS MAJOR EXPENSES

(This is a list of the major expenses, but there are many others)

Uniforms	Instruments	Band Camp
Music and Drills	Band Semi Truck and Trailer	Flag Materials
Student Bus Transportation	Equipment Buses and Van/Trailer	Contest/Festivals entry fees

COMMUNICATIONS

Yahoo Groups

The Boosters' main form of communication with you will be via group e-mail. (Directors will use Charms to communicate.) **You must send a request to be added to our group.** Send a request from your preferred e-mail account to:

gchsbands-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

Do not type a message or a subject just simply send the e-mail.

- Once you send the e-mail you will receive an e-mail back from yahoo groups (You may need to check your spam folder). In the e-mail you will have two options in order to proceed. Choose option number 1 (one).
- A "request to join gchs bands" page will open. At the bottom of the page click on the "join the mailing list instead" link.
- A page will open requesting your comments. Type your name and your student's name so the moderator knows who they are approving. Then click continue.
- At this point your request will be sent to the group moderator for approval.
- Once you are approved you will receive an approval e-mail and a welcome e-mail
- You should now receive e-mails from the band boosters!!

(Please **do not respond to the e-mails you receive.** Most senders provide an e-mail reply address.)

Website- www.gchsbands.org

Information provided: Bands, Directors, Calendar, Contests, Fundraisers, In the News, Invitational, Pictures and Downloads.

Calendar - www.gchsbands.org/calendar

The Directors maintain a Google calendar with the most up-to-date information. This page also includes how to sync this calendar as well as a printable calendar

Monthly Booster Meetings – [check the Band calendar for the up-to-date schedule](#)

Monthly Booster meetings usually take place the first Monday of each month at 7:30 PM. (one notable exception is the June Picnic which occurs the Friday of Rookie Days). There is no meeting in the months of July and January. Reminders are sent out through Yahoo Groups announcing the date and location.

Facebook - www.facebook.com/groups/GCBand/

Information and updates about activities and events will be posted on this Facebook group. This Facebook group is a closed group, to become a member you must do the following:

- Search for Grove City High School Band Group and request to become a member of the group
- **Do not post questions on Facebook. Keep in mind that this group is not an approved source for answers. The Directors request that you use Mentors, Calendar, or other sources listed here for best answers.**

Twitter - www.twitter.com/gchsbands

Information and updates will be posted for all followers to read. This is a closed account, to become a follower, log on to your twitter account and follow the link above or:

- Search for @gchsbands
- Request to become a follower

PRACTICE ATTIRE

Band members should wear comfortable clothing. White socks and tennis shoes are *required*. (No sandals or flip flops). The school dress code still applies during all rehearsals (Pre-Band Camp, Band Camp and Post-Band Camp Rehearsals). **NO** loose tank tops, spaghetti strap shirts, bathing suit tops, or short length shorts.

UNIFORM FITTINGS

Band members will be fitted for uniforms in August. The dates normally are arranged by the student's grade. Please be sure to wear lightweight summer shorts for the fittings. The dates will be announced in the future. Here is a list of items that each student will need to purchase from the band:

White Marching Shoes (summer and marching uniforms)	\$30.00
Suspenders (marching uniform)	\$5.00
New Cords (marching uniform)	\$20.00
Used Cords (marching uniform)	\$6.00
Gloves (marching uniform - percussion do not need gloves)	\$3.00
Ponchos	\$8.00
White Band Shirt (summer uniform)	\$15.00

Freshman band members will be fitted for shoes and can purchase the above items during Rookie Camp on June 7 and 8. Freshmen: Please send a check or cash with your child during Rookie Camp. All other classes: Please send a check or cash with your child if they need to purchase items. Shoes will not be ordered and/or issued until the money is received. The shoes will be used for both summer and marching uniforms. Make checks payable to: GCHS Band Boosters.

The yearly uniform fee for 2018-2019 is \$60.00. This fee must be paid by July 30th, 2018, at the booster meeting before band camp at the Grove City Church of the Nazarene (or can be paid at Rookie Camp).

If for any reason you are not able to make the fitting time you are assigned, or if you are able to assist with the uniform fittings please call Dana Rutan (614-499-6767).

SUMMER UNIFORM

White Band Shirt	\$15.00 (Purchased at your expense at Rookie Camp)
White Marching Shoes	\$30.00 (Purchased at your expense at Rookie Camp)
Blue Sash	Furnished by the Boosters
ALL WHITE Crew Socks	Furnished by you
ALL WHITE shorts	Furnished by you. Shorts should be mid-thigh length, woven, not knit or denim, not down to the knee or short athletic style - NO CUFFS .

FOR COLOR GUARD

White Skort	\$18.00 (Purchased at your expense)
Blue/White Sleeveless Top (Both are for parades)	\$17.00 (Purchased at your expense)

FALL MARCHING UNIFORM

The following items are provided by the Band Boosters. This is what your annual uniform fee maintains: **Jackets (old & new), Pants, Bibs, Overlay, Hat, Plume, Hat Bag and Garment Bag.** To complete the uniform, you purchase: **Shoes, Gloves, Cords, Suspenders and Poncho.**

For Color Guard

Friday Night Uniform:

Blue Pleated Skirt - provided	
Sequined Vest - provided	
White Body Suit	\$19.00
Blue Spanks	\$6.00
Flesh Tone Tights	\$16.00
White Gloves	\$4.00
Warm Up Jacket	\$38.00
Warm Up Pants	\$23.00
Black Competition Shoes	(Approx.) \$43.00
White Keds Shoes	(Purchased on own)

**XXL sizes maybe slightly higher in price.*

WINTER CONCERT UNIFORM

The following items are required for the winter concert uniform.
(An email will go out with the dates for concert fittings as the time gets closer.)

LADIES

Blue Clip-On Tie	\$5.00 (Purchased at your expense)
Blue Full-length Skirt	\$13.00 (Purchased at your expense)
White Oxford Cloth Button-down Collar Shirt	Furnished by you
Black FLAT-HEELED Traditional Shoes	Furnished by you
Black Hosiery	Furnished by you

GENTLEMEN

Navy Dress Pants, NOT 100% Cotton Pants	Furnished by you
Black Dress Shoes	Furnished by you
Black Dress Socks	Furnished by you
White Oxford Cloth Button-down Collar Shirt	Furnished by you
Plain Navy Tie, NO Designs	Furnished by you

UNIFORM CARE

The cost of the jackets, pants and overlays are approximately \$490.00. Each Student is issued and responsible for two uniforms (\$980.00). It is imperative that the uniform and accessories are taken care of properly. A care sheet is given at Rookie Days (to freshmen) and during the summer fittings in August. If any of these items are lost or destroyed because of neglect, you will be financially responsible for replacing them!

BAND BOOSTER APPAREL

There are many items available for Band Booster members to wear at all of the band events. Items available are listed below and can be ordered at any Band Booster meeting or by contacting the Apparel Chair at apparel@gchsbands.org.

Tee Shirts	Baseball Hats
Winter Jacket with Hood	Duffle Bags
Sweatshirts	Stadium Blankets
Windbreakers	Fleece Blankets
2 Different Styles of Royal Blue Short Sleeve Polos	

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