

Ralston Valley Music Boosters Introduction



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Who We Are

- Community organization supporting instrumental music at Ralston Valley High School
 - Marching Band
 - Symphonic Band
 - Concert Orchestra
 - Chamber Orchestra
- All parents/guardians of instrumental music participants are members
- Community members (grandparents, alumni, parents of alumni, etc)



What We Do

- Support the instrumental music program beyond the support provided by the School District, student fees, and RVHS.

How We are Organized Board of Directors & Committee Chairs

- David Holstein – President*
 - Dennis McNally - Vice- President & Communications
 - Patrick Lenahan – Treasurer*
 - Nancy Phipps - Secretary & Uniform Coordinator*
 - Colleen Bisque – Fundraising*
 - Marki Lenahan - Webmaster
 - Cyndi Loomis - Hospitality
 - Mark Bechler - Transportation (Trailer Coordinator)
 - Brian Echtenkamp - Pit Boss
 - Darcy Ruet - Imprinted Sportswear (aka Clothing Sales)
 - Marki Lenahan & Andra McNally – King Soopers & Scrip
 - Sue McKinney & Tammy Carmichael- Orchestra Liaisons
 - Kris Coisman – Erica Shields Golf Tournament
 - Ken Sawyer - Grand Master of Ceremonies/Chief Cook/Bottle Washer
- *Graduating at end of next year

How We Do It

- Direct Support
- Financial Support

Direct Support

- Numerous opportunities are available
 - Marching Band
 - Fitting Uniforms
 - Pit Parents
 - Trailer Pulling
 - Feeding Participants
 - Mile High Jazz Festival
 - Music in the Parks
- Sign-up sheets available

How Is Marching Band Paid For?

- School Fees (\$75/yr) Paid at Registration
 - \$25 for Music
 - \$25 for Drill (choreography)
 - \$25 for Uniform Cleaning
- Music Boosters
 - Fair Share Assessment
 - Fundraising

RVMB Expenses

- Boosters 2009/2010 Budget
 - Total Budget ~\$34,000/yr
 - Major Expenses
 - Marching Season Staff: \$15,800
 - Meals/Refreshments: \$4,000
 - Transportation: \$3,500
 - Guard Costumes: \$1,250
 - Orchestra Camp Instruction: \$1,250
 - Parade of Lights: \$1,000
 - Dinners, Parties, Awards: \$2,580
 - Extraordinary Expense - \$3,500 for new marching shoes
 - New Uniforms Cost \$40,000 (\$25,000 paid by Boosters - eliminating reserve funds)
 - Budget Available to all members

RVMB Income

- Fair Share Assessment
- Fund Raisers
- Directed Payments
- Donations
 - 501(c)3 Non-Profit (IRS certification)
 - Donations are tax deductible

Fair Share Assessment

- **Varies with Student Participation**
 - For marching students the amount is \$300 per student
 - For orchestra students the amount is \$25 per student
 - For symphonic band only students (not marching) the amount is \$25 per student
- We Request payment as soon as possible, but can extend to the end of the school year
- Many chose to pay first year, then fund raise for next year
- We have some anonymous donors who contribute more than the Fair Share and in extraordinary circumstances these funds can go to those who are unable to pay the Fair Share Assessment

RVMB "Accounting"

■ Student Accounts

- Each student has an account
- Individual fund raising split between student and General Fund accounts
- Until the assessment is paid, all proceeds go into the General Fund and is credited to the student
- When assessment is paid, 80% of proceeds go to the student account and 20% goes to the General Fund
 - Some Fundraisers only go to the General Fund
 - Applebees, Cici's Pizza, Papa Johns

How to Pay

- Direct Donation
 - “Write a Check”
 - Make check to “RVMB” NOT THE SCHOOL!!!!
- Raise money through numerous fund raising opportunities
 - King Soopers Gift Certificates (5% return)
 - Scrip Program (3-10% return)
 - Sales Programs
 - E-Books
 - Chomp Cards
 - Butter Braids
 - Barnes & Nobles
 - Taste of Colorado (soda booth)
- **Sufficient participation in fund raising opportunities can eliminate out of pocket expenses.**

Example of King Soopers/Scrip

Store	Amount Spent/Month	Proceeds/Month
King Soopers (food, gas)	\$600	\$30
Lunches (Chipotle, Panera, Subway)	\$100	\$9
Coffee (Peets, Starbucks)	\$60	\$5
Date Night (Chili's, AMC, etc.)	\$50	\$6
Shopping (Kohl's, Macy's)	\$150	\$10
Manly Shopping (Lowe's, Ace Hardware)	\$100	\$4
		\$64/month

***\$300 Fair Share Assessment Paid in
less than 6 months***

Where to find Information

RVMB.org

- Music Calendar
 - Contact Information
 - Fundraising Information
 - Event Specific Information
- E-Mails from RVMB
- dennis.mcnally@rvmb.org



Ralston Valley High School Instrumental Music Department



Student / Parent Handbook

Questions?

