

# **Welcome to The CCHS Band Boosters!**

We thank you for your participation in this very active and friendly group of parents who come together to provide support to the Band Director and Our Students!

This guide will help you understand the coming CCHS band schedules posted on our website [www.cchsbands.org](http://www.cchsbands.org), where band boosters provide valuable assistance and help at each of the different events our students attend.

We look forward to you joining our team!

# **The Band Boosters of Cathedral City High School Bands Inc.**

We are organized as a 501 (c) (3) Calif.  
Inc. non profit organization.

This basically means we do not pay  
taxes on funds raised, donations can be  
tax deductible, and we can accept  
employer matching gifts.

We have corporate bylaws & policies.

We adhere to the Palm Springs Unified  
School District standards for parent  
organized groups.

Band Boosters currently raise funds for  
the band program,  
which are not provided for by PSUSD.  
Our band director needs an operating  
budget of at least \$60,000 per year.  
This provides the quality of instruction  
& equipment necessary to comply with  
the California Education Standards.

Our Band Boosters show great pride in volunteering at Band Events, we feel the time we spend with the students is well invested. Our students enjoy striving for excellence.

We spend many hours preparing for fundraising events in order to capture the best response from the public. We are ever present in the community, spreading the word on upcoming events & boasting the talents of our students!

CCHS Band Boosters enjoy a wonderful relationship with The City of Cathedral City, City Council, Chamber of Commerce & Cathedral City Rotary club.

**“Nothing is particularly hard if you divide it into small jobs”  
-Henry Ford**

CCHS Band Boosters are organized into teams who are responsible for providing help in different areas.

We would like you to consider joining our team; all we ask is that you purchase a band booster shirt. The shirts identify us to students & the representatives of events we attend. The golf shirts cost \$35, and lighter T-shirts are \$10. These allow us free entry into events the bands attend.

In the following pages, we have given more detail to the tasks & help that is required & performed by the different teams.

We hope you will contribute your time & talents to our organization. There is always some way to help, even if you cannot be physically present!

Our Band Booster meetings are usually held on the 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of every month at 6pm, in the band room. The website calendar lists all the dates & times: [www.cchsbands.org](http://www.cchsbands.org)

We look forward to welcoming you at our next meeting

## **Here Is Where YOU Can Assist:**

### **Uniforms & Flags Assistance:**

Fit students for uniforms  
Help with tailoring & repairs  
Measure Symphonic and Concert Band women  
for dresses, cut & sew new dresses, alter used  
dresses.  
Design, cut & sew new Flags.

### **Game Nights**

5-6:30pm - Assist in Dinner Service And Student  
Uniforming  
POST GAME – 9-10pm Help students de-uniform,  
Fabreeze & bag uniforms in bandroom.

### **Band Awards Dessert**

Securing Decorations  
Assisting With Setup/Teardown

### **Meal Preparation, Hospitality, Servers & Snack Donations**

Donate/Make Items For Marching Band Potluck  
Meals.  
Serve food to students 5-6pm  
Prepare snacks & sack lunches for other events

Donate fruit, snacks & water for bandcamp  
Provide Hospitality For Palm Springs High School  
Game

**Equipment & Field Helpers- Home Games &  
Away Events**

**5-10pm During Home Games**

Help to move band equipment onto football field  
Ensure water jugs are iced & filled  
Ensure a supply of paper cups  
Tie covers to bleachers  
Move equipment at half time  
Remove equipment from field after show  
Pass out water to students  
Return equipment to band room via trailer  
Clean up area after game  
Escort Marching band back to band room after  
the game.

**Equipment Trailering**

**Scheduled By Event**

*Help transporting equipment via Marching Band  
Trailer to away events & airports for all band  
ensembles*

*Help transporting large donations for garage  
sale*

## **Garage sales**

Gather donations  
Assist Executive Board With Setup/Management  
Of Event

## **“Jazz Café”**

**Silent Auction and Raffle, with CCHS Jazz Band  
To Be Held In The Spring Performance Season**

Assist In The Following Areas:  
Solicit donations From Local Businesses  
Assist With Setup, Staffing, and Teardown  
Invite the community to attend  
Add your thoughts & ideas  
Be a part of our largest annual fundraiser!

## **Car Wash Assistance**

**Assist in Collecting Donations  
Supervision and Oversight of Students**

## **Senior Marching Band Recognition**

Assist in securing Boutonnieres for uniforms,  
and preparing recognition items for seniors on  
senior gameday.

## **CCHS Jazz Festival**

Assist in the staffing/setup and tear down of the day-long CCHS Jazz Festival.

## **Securing General Publicity For Band Events**

### **Band Spaghetti Dinner**

Assist in the staffing/setup and tear down of the CCHS Band Spaghetti Dinner.

## **Sell See's Candy During Our See's Fundraiser**

## **Retail Fundraisers**

Many local retailers and restaurants offer programs for which the Band program can receive "free" money.

**Applebees CARES Program.** Anytime you eat at Applebees, have them stamp your receipt with the CARES stamp. Turn in the receipt to the Band room, & when we have reached a certain amount, we send them back to Applebees for a 4% return.

## **Vons Escrip**

Make sure you are signed up for escript if you shop at Vons. There is no cost, & Vons will give up to 8% of your grocery bill to the Band program.

The sign up form is available on our website: [www.cchsbands.org](http://www.cchsbands.org) at the Band Boosters Link

## **Shopping Cart Fundraising -SCRIP**

Each Monday evening (See the CCHS Band Calendar For More Information), or whenever you are at CCHS come to the band room and buy scrip **gift cards** to the stores you will be using in the next week.

For example:

Buy \$100 for Albertsons

Buy \$50 for Chevron

Buy \$25 for Applebees

Buy \$200 for Walmart

Buy \$20 for Cinema

Buy \$20 for McDonalds

Buy \$25 for Dominos Pizza

Buy \$50 for Best Buy

Buy \$100 for Home Depot

There are many more retailers that offer SCRIP cards, look online at [www. Glscrip.com](http://www.Glscrip.com). The best part of SCRIP fundraising is that we get a portion of the amount you spend when you purchase SCRIP.

### **WHY use Scrip?**

You would be spending CASH anyway at these locations; use your CASH to buy SCRIP **gift cards** instead.

Scrip buys the cards from the retailers at a discount, You pay face value for the cards, SCRIP gives the discount to the BAND!

EMAIL is our preferred way to contact you, Email conserves time & money.

Please make sure we have all of your contact information.

You may send info to: [gwhitmore@psusd.us](mailto:gwhitmore@psusd.us)

We place great value in all of our student's families involvement in our activities, & feel many families may not be coming forth to help due to language barriers. Therefore we will strive to communicate in both English and Spanish.

Spanish translations are always required.

If you can translate, please let us know.

If you can make calls to Spanish speaking families- let us know.

## **Our Contribution to the Community**

Whenever an opportunity arises to help another volunteer group, either at school or in the community,

Boosters rise to the occasion.

Many local businesses support us, & we like to support them.

Businesses can benefit from contributing to us in many ways, including tax deductions & advertising. If you know a local business that would like to be included in our fundraising efforts, tell them..... Then tell us!

## **Band & Booster Achievements**

We are honored our bands have been named  
“The Official Band of Cathedral City”

We are honored to be the recipient of the 2008 Cathedral City Chamber of Commerce’s Orion award for best Non-profit group in our

community. We are active members in the Cathedral City Chamber of Commerce.

**Questions, Ideas, Input.....**

Let us know your thoughts;

Let your friends, neighbors & co-workers know how to contact us.

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See the band booster link on the band website for executive board member contacts, bylaws, archived minutes and newsletters, downloadable forms, and other important information.

Please feel free to contact any band booster listed. We can answer your questions!

