

2023-2024 East Limestone High School Marching Band Fundraising Participation

Parent involvement for the East Limestone Marching Band Program is very important for the success of our band.

Band Fees cover only 25% of what it actually costs to operate our band program. Last year's budget was 89K. This cost includes transportation to games, events, parades, basically any time our band gets on a bus. It also includes the music, instruments, props, instructor assistants, dry cleaning uniforms, etc. The remainder of the funds required are earned with fundraising. Our biggest fundraiser is the concession stand. This requires **EVERY** band student and family to participate!

For the 2023 football season, all Marching Band Parents are required to work in the concession stand at least twice. If a band student does not have a parent/guardian volunteer to work the concession stand, there will be a \$300 concession stand fee added to the student's account in November after the football season is over. We need at least 22 people to have a successful night. However, the concession stand works better when there are 30. Big crowd nights, such as Athens, we would like 35 to have a remote concession stand.

Due to the magnitude of our budget, we try to find fundraisers that raise more than \$2,000. In doing that, we reduce the number of fundraisers. But we need parent support and involvement. We have 3 major fundraisers scheduled for 2024, Mattress Sale, Yard Sale and Car Show. This past year, we did not get the parent support we needed for those fundraisers. Band students are required to work one of those events. Therefore, this coming year we are going to ask that parents also work one of those events. Without parent support and involvement, the work has been falling on the shoulders of the officers. We need help to make these fundraisers a success.

In July, we will have signups for the concession stand. In January 2024, we will have signups for the 3 major fundraisers coming up. If you have a specialty for yard sale pricing, being able to find sponsors for the car show, getting the word out about our events, or just helping where needed, please signup.

Your signature below is to let us know you understand the parent involvement we will need for the 2023-2024 marching band season. We look forward to a great year!!

STUDENT'S NAME:

PARENT/GUARDIAN NAME:

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE:
