

WEST HIGH MUSIC SUPPORTERS

"To enhance the music students' experiences at West."

Who are we? What do we do?

West High Music Supporters are parents and friends who care about the music program and students at West High School. We support the Music Directors, help organize events, schedule and manage volunteers, organize fundraisers, promote events and students' achievements within the community, and much more.

Your child is part of this amazing program...give an hour or two of your time!!

Your child and all the music students put much time and effort into this program. **Show them your support** with a small commitment of your time. Many volunteers give just an hour at an event they are already attending or in conjunction with commuting their student to or from events. It's **easy**, surprisingly **fun**, and best of all you will **become involved** in a program that will surely be part of your child's best high school memories! Come to a meeting, volunteer, attend events. See the list below for additional ways you can help.

Meetings...first Wednesday of every month*

We have an informal gathering for parents on the Wednesday night during band camp. Please join us to meet the Band Directors and Board Members, and find out more about the West High Music Supporters. Then we will meet the first Wednesday of every month at 6:30 pm. You are welcome to join us any time during the year. Check our website monthly for any last-minute changes. Attending monthly meetings is the best way to stay informed of all of our students' music activities and interact with the Directors. All parents are considered Music Supporters, however *Voting Members have special privileges*. To become a Voting Member, see the 'Join' page on our web site.

Help your student to have the best experience possible.... Be part of it!

Stay informed of events at www.westhighmusic.org. Contact any us at westhighmusic@aol.com.

How can YOU help your music student?!

As you can see, the band needs supporters. These jobs may be small, but we need help to get it done. Don't leave it to someone else....BE PART OF IT!

During FOOTBALL GAMES:

- ♪ Make minor uniform repairs (buttons, etc.)
- ♪ Transport large instruments and "Pit" equipment to the field and back
- ♪ Hand out water to students at half-time
- ♪ Escort students in uniform to the restrooms
- ♪ Help with minor emergencies
- ♪ Guard students' personal belongings in the stands during the field show
- ♪ Travel on the bus and chaperone "away events"
- ♪ Collect uniforms after games, check for all parts and proper storage
- ♪ Hand out snacks to students after the entire uniform is hung up properly

During PARADES we do much of the above, plus....

- ♪ Provide a "chase car" for minor emergencies and to carry equipment
- ♪ Walk with the band around the perimeter during the parade
- ♪ Monitor students for heat exhaustion and injuries
- ♪ Provide water and mist marching students as needed

During CONCERTS:

- ♪ Help set up staging and chairs
- ♪ Collect donations at the door
- ♪ Hand out program books (assembled by Music Supporters)
- ♪ Help backstage with any minor emergencies
- ♪ Sell tickets and hold 50/50 raffle

During FIELD TRIPS:

- ♪ Keep count of students on each bus and be certain we have all students when we leave
- ♪ Travel on the bus and chaperone students
- ♪ Help with minor emergencies and situations

**As a parent you always have a place among the volunteers, helpers and members.
Don't leave all this to someone else.... JOIN US -- any time, any event**