President's Prelude

It's hard to believe that as we begin a new year already half the school year is behind us. The first semester has brought the kids back together. It was wonderful to attend concerts this past fall and winter. The second half of the year will definitely be busy. Epoch will be performing at basketball games, the Jazz Festival will be back in person, and Sound will be starting. The band boosters have planned several fundraisers in the next couple of months, including the pizza sale which starts this week. We hope this helps families raise funds for their students to use for lesson academy, summer band camps, Sound of Sun Prairie or the Florida trip. So many great things to look forward to in the next couple of months. So from the entire executive board, we wish you a Happy New Year!

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General Band Booster Meeting

When

Tuesday, Feb. 22nd, 6:30pm

Where

888 Grove Street Sun Prairie, WI

More information

Everyone is invited!
Short 30-minute meeting right before the SOSP Kick-off meeting.
Meeting will take place in the Band area.
January/February we have multiple food sale fundraisers available to take part in. These will be our last food sale events of the school year where you can earn individual band ledger funds.

1. Emil's Pizza sale
2. Butter Braid sale
3. Fruit Sale

EMIL'S FROZEN PIZZA SALE STARTS NOW!

Sale: January 10th to January 24th
Delivery Day: Thursday February 10th
Details: Visit our website Emil's Frozen Pizza page to view and print order forms

Each pizza sold will generate $1 to band member's ledger account. Funds can be used for multiple expenses, for details view Fundraising FAQ's

BUTTER BRAID SALE - January/February

A Butter Braid is a yummy pastry that comes frozen. Very simple to make, take it out of the freezer the night before to unthaw, bake in the oven the next morning for a delicious treat.

Each braid sold will generate $2 to band member's ledger account.

Details coming soon.

SPRING FRUIT SALE - January/February
Twice a year the Sun Prairie Band Boosters offers fresh, delicious fruit for sale to the general public. Students, parents and guardians earn 30% percent of every sale for their band ledger. Details coming soon.

FISH FRY - FEBRUARY 25TH, 2022

When: 4:30pm to 7:30pm  
Where: The Round Table, 1611 N Bristol St Sun Prairie WI 53590  
Cost: $12  
3 pc Deep Fried Cod or 3 pc Baked Cod, 6 pc Shrimp, or 3 pc Chicken Tenders.  
Includes: Baked Potato or French Fries, Cole Slaw, Roll

THIS IS A HUGE EVENT!! VOLUNTEERS NEEDED.  
We will be sending out a Sign-up Genius soon asking for bakery goods to sell at the bake sale and volunteers to serve at the event.

Band Boosters partner with the Bernie Powers Band Foundation.

GET YOUR HUNTERTONES TICKETS NOW!!  
Viral sensation group, the Huntertones, are coming to Sun Prairie to visit with our Middle School bands and perform at the PAC, March 14th 7pm  
Tickets will be $10. Purchase online here: Huntertones Concert  
Learn more about the Huntertones by visiting

- website at https://www.huntertones.com/ or  
- on Social Media: Facebook, Twitter, Instagram @huntertonesband

Proceeds from this concert will support the SOSP performance in the Magic Kingdom at Disney World in July 2022.

How does Fundraising help you?
Varsity Points

Starting in 9th grade your band student will earn points when participating in various band opportunities. The points will accumulate through 12th grade. Once the student reaches a certain point level they receive an award.

- 12 points or greater earns a Varsity Letter
- 24 points or greater earns an Instrument Pin
- 36 points or greater earns a Ribbon
- 48 points or greater earns a Medallion

To earn points, student must participate in one or more of the following:

- 1 point per semester in Band
- 1 point per semester in Jazz (one point given for Essentially Ellington in NYC)
- 2 points for participation in Epoch Sound (1 football and 1 basketball)
- 3 points per season in Sound of Sun Prairie (entered in July)
- 2 points for participation in SPHS “Pit” Orchestra
- 1 point for participation in Solo & Ensemble (no points for “Solo Night”)
- 1 additional point for participation in State Solo & Ensemble (entered on 5/1)
- 1 point for WYSO
- 1 point for High School Honors Band
- 1 point for Winds of Wisconsin

By participating in one or multiple fundraisers you can earn funds into your CHARMS Ledger Account! Funds can be used for multiple music fees throughout the school year. For details check out the following links:

- Fundraising FAQ’s
- SPBB Ledger guideline

The Booster funds are used to help cover costs for many great opportunities for ALL band members 6th grade through 12th grade. Here are just a few things we help provide for:

- National Guest Clinicians visit and work with the Bands
- Concert and SOSP Band Uniforms
- Lesson Academy
- Transportation
- Jazz Program
- Sound of Sun Prairie Program
- Varsity Point Awards
- Scholarships

Please remember that ALL student ledgers zero out at the end of the school year to preserve the booster tax exempt status. All requests for ledger use must be made before August 1.
• 1 point for Full Orchestra
• 1 point for Chamber groups (.5 point per semester)

Recognition of Varsity Points will be awarded at the Spring Band Concert and at the end-of-season Sound of Sun Prairie picnic.

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