

The Booster Beat

October 2021

President's Prelude

This year is in full swing.

It was great attending so many band concerts inside again. Its' been a long time and it was definitely worth the wait. They did a great job!! It was also great to see so many parents out supporting the band program. There are several fundraisers coming up and a service/fundraising opportunity as well. It may seem like we have a lot of fundraisers but we are trying to give families options so they can pick what works for them. Bucky books go for another two weeks and the fruit sale starts Monday. We have been doing this fruit sale for many years and the quality is great. So please take a look at it and see if it is right for your family. We will also have a MACS Feed the Band night in November as well as the Madison Marathon event on November 14th so mark your calendars if you would like to help us at our station. Happy Fall!!!



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Sun Prairie Band Boosters

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General Band Booster Meeting

When

Thursday, Nov. 4th, 6:30pm

Where

This is an online event.

More information

Everyone is invited!

Short 30-minute meeting.

Agenda:

- Elections for Vice President and Vice Treasurer.
- Update on Fundraising Opportunities



Bucky Book Sale

Sale is happening ***NOW*** until November 5th

The Bucky Book features coupons from hundreds of local businesses, and these deals guide consumers through merchants' doors. Coupons do more than incentivize a single sale, though; it's the hope that repeated interactions will foster lasting relationships between local consumers and their local merchants.

Each book sold will generate a credit into your band student's individual Ledger. Click [here](#) for details.





FRUIT, CHEESE, SAUSAGE, & KRINGLE Sale - Starts Monday!!

Twice a year the Sun Prairie Band Boosters offers fresh, delicious fruit for sale to the general public. New this year are Kringles! Students, parents and guardians earn a percentage of every sale for their band ledger.

Click [HERE](#) for detailed instructions, brochures, sales and order forms

Orders are due on November 8th

Pickup & Deliver on December 4

Money due by December 11

Madison Marathon - November 14th

Volunteer to cheer, encourage, and hand out waters & bananas to the Marathon Runners!
Each volunteer earns credit into your Band Student's Ledger.

9 Volunteers needed, Ages 14+

Click [HERE](#) for details and sign up link.

Future Fundraising Events

Feed the Beat Restaurant Nights

- One day a month we support a local Restaurant.
- A portion of the proceeds goes towards our Booster account to help cover costs for Clinician visits, Uniforms, Band events for concerts/Jazz/SOSP, etc.
- Like our [Facebook page](#) as we will post information on which day and restaurant
- THANK YOU to those that attended the MOD Pizza event in October, we raised \$177!!

Emil's Pizza

- Sale Date TBD in Dec/Jan
- Earn Ledger fund credit for each pizza sold

Fish Fry Knights of Columbus - Round Table

- February 25th, 2022
- Raffle
- Dessert Sale

These are just a few events that the Boosters will continue to offer. Watch for more details.

How does Fundraising help you?

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 SOSB 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.



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
- 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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