



# Waukesha South High School Blackshirt Band Boosters

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August, 2011

Hello Band Parents and Students,

Welcome back to another year of Blackshirt band. If you are new, welcome to the Waukesha South Blackshirt Band.

As many of you know the district budget is very tight and will only continue to get tighter. We are very fortunate to have a number of district-supplied instruments, which allow many to play who otherwise might not get the chance. Last year we had close to \$1000 in repair bills for these instruments and a number that had considerable damage done to them.

In an effort to preserve the instruments that we currently have, we will be making a few changes on how instruments are distributed and maintained.

1) We are requesting that every student bring in his/her district-supplied instrument for inspection on the first 2 days of school (September 1 and 2). We will be verifying and updating the information that we have—serial number, student, condition, etc.

2) We will also be accessing a \$30 deposit for district-supplied instruments and a \$20 charge for maintenance costs. So if the instrument is returned in good condition (reasonable wear and tear), \$30 will be returned at the end of the school year. However, if the instrument is not returned or severely damaged, there will be no money returned at that time. If there are families that are financially unable to cover these costs, please contact myself or another band booster board member.

We apologize for the short notice of this change but after assessing our current financial situation, we felt it was needed to help preserve our instruments. It is also meant to promote student responsibility and accountability for their instruments.

Thank you,

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Addendum to letter dated August, 2011

Hello Band Parents and Students,

An additional change this year is that we will have students purchase their own gloves for marching (\$4). The gloves will be available at school and the student will be responsible for replacing the gloves if they are lost or ruined.

Again this is not meant to be another hidden fee. It is to defray the cost and to promote student responsibility and accountability.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact myself, or anyone on the Band Booster Board.

Thank you,

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