

# Welcome to HMB!

The Huntsville Hornet Military Marching Band is an award-winning program that will challenge your student as they work hard and have fun; we're so happy you chose for your student to participate in this amazing program. Here are a few topics that will be coming up during Summer Band that you need to become familiar with:

### **HMB Student Band Fees**

There is a Band Fee of \$100.00 for each HMB Student for this school year. This fee includes the cost of snacks, various meals, water, and gatorade throughout Summer Band and the entire school year. **This is a required fee and must be paid** *PRIOR* **to a meal plan, or any other items in the band store, being purchased.** The following items are also required and total \$71.75: HMB Pride shirt, HMB polo shirt, HMB marching shoes, and one flip folder. An invoice is included in this packet for your convenience. Payment can be made online through your child's Charms account, or cash/check sent with your student to the Band Hall. Most students only need to purchase the clothing items once during their high school years unless the items are lost or outgrown.

#### Meals

During marching season, the Booster Club offers a prepaid meal option where you can choose to purchase meals from McDonalds, Chicken Express, Chick-Fil-A, or McAlister's to be delivered to your student to have for dinner before each football game. The cost of the meals range from \$54.90 to \$88.00. While these are not required, your student needs to eat before the football games as there will not be an opportunity to do so during the games (*students are not allowed to have food bought and given to them in the stands during the games*). Only one meal option can be chosen, therefore your student would receive the same food items for all 10 regular season football games. If you do not purchase a meal plan, *your student will need to bring food to be eaten before* football games.

# **Chaperones**

With any large group of students, it takes many parents/guardians to help move the students around safely and in a timely manner. Parent/guardian chaperones are needed for each band function to ride the buses, help move equipment, and be available to assist the students and Directors. Becoming a Chaperone is a great way to get to know the band students and be involved in the "behind the scenes" of the band. All band parents/guardians will receive an email after Summer Band regarding Chaperone requirements and opportunities. In the meantime feel free to join the 'HMB Chaperones' Remind group by joining with class code HMBCH or texting that code to 81010. This Remind group will be the method used this year for signing up for Chaperoning opportunities.

## **Concessions Workers**

Parents/guardians, relatives, and friends of band students have the opportunity to work the concession stands at the new Hornet Field for HHS football games. Workers must be able to pass a background check. *All proceeds from the concession stands will benefit the band as a whole, and NOT any one student.* Working concessions is a great way to support the band program as proceeds help keep the band fees low, as well as other costs that may arise throughout the school year.

## **Booster Club Meetings**

Meetings are held the first Monday of each month in the Band Hall from September - May (unless a school holiday), meetings are at 7:00pm in the Fall and 6:30pm in the Spring. This is a great way of keeping up with Band activities. Dates for these meetings are posted on the band website at www.huntsvillemilitaryband.com. Reminders of each meeting are posted on the band's Facebook page and sent out via Remind as well.

#### Remind

We use this system to send updates when the students are traveling to football games, competitions, etc., as well as for reminders about upcoming events and meetings. Please be sure to sign up! If using the Remind app you can join using class code HMBHISD or you can text that same code to 81010.

## **Charms**

The "Charms" system is the website that we use to track each student financially. You will use your student's Charms account to purchase band supplies, purchase band merchandise, track how much credit your student has accumulated, and make payments on your account. Your student will have the same Charms account for all of their band career.

The Charms website is: https://www.charmsoffice.com/charms/login.asp

Our school code is "huntsvillehsb" and your login will be your student's HISD student ID number and password. Please contact the Directors should you need assistance with the login credentials to your student's Charms account.

#### **Booster Club**

Below is the listing for this school year's Booster Club officers, along with their email addresses. Please feel free to reach out at any time for questions or concerns. We are here to help!

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