



## Forms, Fees, & Fundraisers

Dear Band Parents and Students,

On behalf of the Limestone Band Boosters, WELCOME to the 2023 Marching Rockets! We are looking forward to another great season of great music and education.

This packet contains the information that you will need to start your year right. If you have any questions about the information in this packet or about your student's finances, please contact either of the Band Directors or one of the Booster Officers. The Booster Officer contact information can be found on [LimestoneBands.com](http://LimestoneBands.com), under **Band Boosters » Officers**. We appreciate your open and honest feedback and communication.

### Forms to Return

Please carefully read the remaining information in this packet, and **fill out your student's Google Doc Band Forms**. These can be found on the Limestone Bands page under **Student Info » Forms » Forms to Return » [Google Docs](#)**.

Each form has important information that allows us to best serve your student as he/she participates in the Marching Rockets. Forms **must be turned in by Thursday, June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023** along with your first payment (see payment schedule below) to secure your spot in the Fall Show.

### Band Fees & Other Expenses

The cost of the LCHS band program is shared between the district's taxpayers, the Band Boosters, and the individual students/families. This year's basic Marching Band Fee for each student will be **\$225.00**. The fee helps to pay for items that directly affect the student's success, such as band camp expenses and additional instructors.

There are other expenses that apply to certain individuals or groups within the Marching Band:

- Marching shoes are required for all students in marching band and color guard. The fee (typically \$37 for winds and percussion) will be charged to the student's account. *\*\*As long as shoes remain fitted and comfortable, they can wear these shoes from year to year with the exception that the whole band would need to change to a different shoe for any reason.\*\**
- Gloves are required for all musicians who march (this excludes pit/front ensemble, drumline, and Color Guard). The fee (approx. \$9) will be charged to the student's account.
- Color Guard uniforms and shoes are included in the Band Fee.
- The first set of mallets and marching drumsticks is provided. If they break, the student is responsible for replacing them.
- School-owned instruments are provided and maintained by the school district. If repairs are required (other than "normal wear and tear"), that cost may be the student's responsibility.
- Students will be responsible for most meals at competitions and any additional snacks, souvenirs, etc.

We know that this is a significant expense, so we offer a payment schedule to help spread out costs.



**If your family needs any assistance paying fees, please talk to either of the Band Directors or any of the Booster Officers. They will work confidentially with you to make sure your student can participate in Marching Band.**

### Payment Schedule

The payment schedule allows you to spread the Marching Band Fee across several months. Of course, it is greatly appreciated if you can make a full payment up front, since the expenses do come in early. For the same reason, all payments are non-refundable.

Payment	Due Date	Minimum Due	
1	June 1, 2023	\$75.00	Initial commitment to reserve your spot in the Fall show
2	July 1, 2023	\$75.00	2 <sup>nd</sup> payment
3	August 1, 2023	\$75.00	Final payment

You can make checks payable to **Limestone Band Boosters**, and place it in a sealed envelope in the lockbox in the band room (**please note your students' name in the memo**). OR mail it to:

**Limestone Band Boosters Treasurer  
c/o Limestone Community High School  
4201 S Airport Rd  
Bartonville, IL 61607**

To make a payment from your Charms\* student account balance, email our Booster Treasurer at [Treasurer@LimestoneBands.com](mailto:Treasurer@LimestoneBands.com) for instructions. You can add money to your Charms account using a credit card via PayPal. (A convenience fee applies.)

\*We use **Charms Office** ([www.charmsoffice.com](http://www.charmsoffice.com)) to track your individual student account. Detailed information about Charms, including how to set up your account, can be found later in this packet.

### Fundraisers Available

To help offset costs and provide extra benefits to the entire band, the Band Boosters organize a variety of fundraisers throughout the year.

One simple fundraiser that you can begin right away is the Kroger Community Rewards program. You can find additional information about these and other fundraisers on the Limestone Bands web page under **Band Boosters » Current Fundraisers**.

Thank you. We look forward to having you as a part of the Limestone Band Community.

The LCHS Band Booster Officers