



Oak Valley Music Boosters

To all Oak Valley Middle School Band and Orchestra Students and their Families:

Welcome to the Oak Valley Music Program. We are looking forward to an exciting year full of concerts, festivals, field trips and more. Please look over the following important information about the Oak Valley music program, complete the attached forms, and return them during registration at the music boosters table on August 10th & 11th. If you miss us at registration, your student can turn in the information to Ms. Lazzari, OVMS band and orchestra director, during the first week of school.

What is the purpose of the Oak Valley Music Boosters?

Many parents are surprised to know that with the exception of occasional grants, the Boosters are responsible for funding the Oak Valley music program. Who are we? We are all parents of OVMS students who volunteer our time to raise money for the music program. Through various fundraising events including catalog sales, benefit concerts, and much more, we raise the thousands of dollars necessary to run the music program. Here are **a few** of the things we plan to fund this year:

Copies and Office Supplies: \$1500
Festivals: \$1500 for buses, \$1500 for entrance fees
Sheet music: \$2500
End of the year awards: \$500
Instrument Coaches: \$6000

What is the difference between fees and the fundraising buyout?

We have determined that it costs at least \$100 for each student to participate in the Oak Valley Music program. In order to offset the cost for families, we plan a variety of fundraisers throughout the year. Therefore, we are asking that every family pay a \$50 per student participation fee, and if a family determines that they do not want to participate in the fundraisers, they can choose to also pay a \$50 fundraiser buyout fee. Scholarships are available for families in need; we do not want to turn away any student because of financial hardship.

Donations for Instruments:

In order to keep the costs per family down, we have not budgeted to spend any money this year on purchasing large instruments for orchestra and band. However, as our music program grows, we still have a need to purchase several more large instruments. All money donated on this line will be earmarked specifically for instruments, and you can request a donation receipt for taxes at the registration table (OVMB's Tax I.D. # is 76-0813649). Also, if you have a company matching program from your employer, please submit the necessary paperwork so that the impact of your donation can be doubled.

Books:

For your convenience, we will have music books available for purchase and pre-order at registration only. If you miss registration, the books can also be purchased at local music stores. If you cannot afford to purchase books, please let us know. Scholarships are available.

Locks:

Locks are not mandatory but recommended. We have lockers for most instruments so that the students can lock up their instruments during the day rather than carrying them from classroom to classroom. For security and access reasons, you cannot use a lock purchased elsewhere on these lockers. We will have locks available for purchase at the registration table. If you are a returning student, you can use the same lock as you used last year.

Oak Valley Music Boosters Tally Sheet

OVMB is a 501(c)3 organization. All donations are tax-deductible. Please make checks out to OVMB, and return them to our table during registration or to the lock box located in the music room after school begins.

Participation Fees: \$50 x _____ (# of students) _____

Fundraiser Buyout: \$50 x _____ (# of students) _____

Donation for Instruments: _____

Additional donations: _____

Books: _____

Lock (\$5) _____

Total: _____

The OVMS Music Member manual can be downloaded from Ms. Lazzari's webpage at <http://ovmsmusic.googlepages.com>. Information about materials and books needed for each class are also found on this webpage.

Please sign and return this page at registration or on the first week of classes. We especially need your e-mail address to give you important information about concerts and events throughout the school year. (Please make sure e-mail address is legible.):

We hope that both members and parents will find this manual useful and informative.

We have read, understood and will support the responsibilities, obligations and policies of a Oak Valley Middle School Music Member and music booster as stated in the manual.

Member _____ Date _____

Parent _____ Date _____

Permission to publish:

I give my permission to the Oak Valley Middle School Instrumental Music Director and the OVMS Music Boosters to publish the following information in the Instrumental Music Program Member Directory.

Member's Name _____

Address _____

City/Zip _____

Phone Number(s) _____

Instrument(s) _____

Student Email address _____

Parent Email address(s) _____

Mother's Name _____

Father's Name _____

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