

Blue Valley West Band Boosters
Application for Financial Assistance for 2019 Marching Season

Applications are **due prior to July 1, 2019** for consideration by the Financial Assistance Committee. Completed applications should be mailed (or emailed) to the treasurer. Please confirm that the completed application has been received.

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Eligible Fees and Maximum Assistance Possible:

- ❖ Financial assistance is intended to support those students that would not otherwise be able to participate in the competitive marching band or for whom the program fees would cause a significant financial hardship for the family.
- ❖ Families may be awarded *up to* 50% of competitive marching fees.

Eligibility Requirements:

- ❖ Families must fill out the attached application and provide any requested documentation.
- ❖ Applicants **must participate in individual fundraising** opportunities.
 - SCRIP and Grocery store coupon books are an easy way to raise funds. We feel that these are options even for lower income families and would be happy to discuss how these can work for your family.
 - We ask that financial assistance recipients also take part in other fundraising sales the boosters may offer. We do not expect that the recipient families purchase the items, rather that the student make a concerted effort to involve their community in supporting them in CMB.
- ❖ Applicant families **must commit to earning 50 points through the Volunteer Credit System** (document attached) to qualify.
 - Please sign up for volunteer opportunities prior to applying for assistance.
- ❖ The boosters will keep records of participation in the above activities. These records will be used in determining eligibility for families that have applied for assistance in previous seasons.
- ❖ The first fee payment must have been made in full prior to applying for financial assistance.
- ❖ Families receiving financial assistance will be notified prior to the date of the third required fee payment (August 1, 2108)

NAME OF STUDENT: _____

NAME OF PARENT/GUARDIAN: _____

PHONE # OF PARENT/GUARDIAN: _____

1. Does your student qualify for the Free & Reduced Lunch Program? (Y/N)
If yes, please attach documentation.
2. Describe your reason for requesting financial assistance:

BVW BAND BOOSTERS VOLUNTEER CREDIT SYSTEM

MISSION STATEMENT:

The volunteer credit system is designed to increase parent involvement, promote fairness and spread volunteer duties throughout the band program.

The volunteer credit program will apply to all registered BVW Competitive Band, Color and/or Winter Guard students for the 2019-2020 band calendar. The credit program will apply to all events that the band program hosts or attends. This program works by establishing a specific numeric value for a specific volunteer duty or donation. Each family will have the opportunity to earn discounts off of their CMB or Winter Guard fees.

PROGRAM OVERVIEW:

Families will be able to earn points toward fee discounts in the following manner by making donations, volunteering to work various shifts at events, holding a board position, or a lead /coordinator volunteer position. Points will vary depending on shift length or required effort.

Sign ups for volunteer opportunities and donation requests will be available beginning 2 weeks prior to forms fest.

Discounts will be awarded in the following manner

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| 25 points earned | \$50 discount |
| 50 points earned | \$100 discount |
| 100 points earned | \$200 discount |

PROGRAM SPECIFICS:

1. Credit values for jobs are predetermined based on a number of factors including time & effort.
2. Families with multiple students can earn a discount for each student participating in the program. Each student's discount will be based on the point structure listed above and earned independently.
3. Families are expected to find their own substitute if they cannot make an event they signed up for.
4. If a family commits to volunteering, and fails to fulfill their obligation, the discount given will be voided and the student's ledger billed. If enough points were earned for a lesser discount, that rate will be awarded.

5. Families may sign up to volunteer or make donations up to the last day of September. At this point all discounts will be applied and payment structure finalized.
6. We will, of course, continue to have volunteer opportunities throughout the school year. Please know that these shifts are of equal importance to those that were posted prior to payments being finalized. We sincerely appreciate your help in filling these shifts. Unfortunately, we will not be able to retroactively apply points earned for these shifts. We hope that you find volunteering an enjoyable experience and reward enough.
7. A similar program will be made available prior to Winter Guard contracts being due.
8. Families seeking financial assistance must commit to earning 50 points in order to qualify for assistance.