



**EAST**BANDS

Welcomes you to the

# East Bands Information Meeting

April 1, 2025 @ 6:00 pm



Please fill out the information  
form using the QR



# Introductions



**Josh Robichaux**  
Director of Bands

**Dawson Burnes**  
Assistant Director of Bands

# What Is Our Philosophy?



- Educating Young People
- Teaching and Performing Music
- Teaching Life Skills
- Developing Lifelong Excellence
- Create school & community leaders

# Mission Statement



*Developing Lifelong Excellence in Young People Through a Variety of Music Education Experiences.*



# Fall Program Highlights

A Well Rounded Program of Educational Experiences

Marching Band - Co-Curricular - Summer/Fall

Marching Band Color Guard - 4th Period (Fall Only)





# Program Highlights

A Well Rounded Program of Educational Experiences



## Marching Band Season Events

- Band Camp
- Perform at all Home and Away Football Games
- Saturday Rehearsals (2)
- Paulding Meadows Performance and Fundraiser
- Paulding County Exhibition Performance
- 3 Marching Band Competitions
- Post Season Banquet
- Dallas Christmas Parade

# Concert Program Highlights



Concert Band (Tentative) - 1st Period Band

Symphonic Band - 2nd Period Band

Wind Ensemble - 3rd Period Band

Concert Ensembles Meet All Year



# Concert Program Highlights



Concert Band, Symphonic Band & Wind Ensemble

## **Each ensemble is a full year course commitment**

- District Honor Band Auditions
  - (Mandatory For Wind Ensemble Members)
- Veterans Day Concert
- Holiday Concert
- Pre-LGPE Concert @ EPHS
- LGPE Concert @ Carroll County Performing Arts Center
- GMEA Solo and Ensemble Evaluations
- Spring Concert
- Spring Showcase Concert
- Graduation



# Small Ensemble Program Highlights EASTBANDS

Various Small Ensembles - All Year

Student Led Ensembles Include

Woodwind Ensembles, High Brass,

Low Brass Ensembles, and Percussion Ensembles



# Percussion Program Highlights



Marching Percussion Ensemble - 4th Period (Fall Only)

Symphonic Band Percussion Ensemble - 2nd Period (Spring)

Wind Ensemble Percussion Ensemble - 3rd Period (Spring)





# Guard Program Highlights



Color Guard - 4th Period Fall Semester

(Wind players will participate in a concert band class in lieu of 4th period guard class)

Winter Guard - Extra Curricular Winter/ Spring



# Band Trip



- Every other year cycle
- East Bands performed in the 2024 New York St. Patrick's Day Parade
- Next Scheduled Trip - Spring 2026
- Not part of the dues. Trip fees are extra.
- Band Fees must be up to date in order to participate.
- Will release next years trip and information at Sign-up Night on May 16.
- Must be a marching band member to participate in trips.

# 2025-2026 Member Handbook



Digital copy located at [www.eastbands.com](http://www.eastbands.com)

- Welcome Letter
- Important Dates
- Attendance Policies
- Calendar
- Social Media
- Public Expectations & Etiquette
- Uniform Policy
- Band Camp / Season Rehearsal Checklist
- Lettering Policy
- Band Booster Committee Descriptions



# Band Program Finances



Let's talk MONEY!



- Our program operates on approximately \$140,000 each year.
- We have a budget for the 2025-2026 season that will be approved April 14.
  - We operate on a balanced budget each year.
  - We continue to strive to make sure we have money leftover in the budget to carry us into the beginning of each new season.
- We spend a lot of time carefully crafting our budget in an effort to stay within the boundaries of what we can spend each year while obtaining everything we need to be successful.
- We take this very seriously - after all, we are spending your money!

# 2025-2026 Working Budget



## Participation Fee Overview

- Concert Class Fee..... **\$50** (based on 10 students)
- School Owned Instrument Fee..... **\$50** (based on 64 students)
- Marching Band Fee - (Wind & Percussion)..... **\$650** (based on 100 students)
- Marching Band Color Guard Returning Member Fee..... **\$750** (based on 18 students)
- Marching Band Color Guard New Member Fee..... **\$800** (based on 10 students)

**Total Projected Fees: \$103,150.00**

# 2025-2026 Payment Schedule



May 16 - Initial Sign-Up Night Payment.....	\$100.00
May 16 - Volunteer Check (returned upon volunteering at 4 events).....	\$150.00
July 9/11 - Band Camp Payment (All Members).....	\$200.00
August 1 - Beginning of School Year Payment (All Members).....	\$200.00
September 2 - Mid Season Payment (All Members).....	\$150.00
October 1 - Final Colorguard Payment (New Guard Only).....	\$150.00
October 1 - Final Colorguard Payment (Veteran Guard Only).....	\$100.00

- **ALTERNATE PAYMENT PLANS AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST**

# 2025-2026 Working Budget



## Projected Fundraising Overview

- Corporate Sponsorship.....\$6,000
- Home Concessions.....\$14,500
- Text-2-Raise.....\$17,500
- Bed Sheets.....\$2,500
- Paulding Meadows.....\$3,500
- Spirit Wear.....\$1,000
- Exhibition Gate.....\$2,750
- Cookie Dough.....\$1,500
- Band BBQ .....\$3,000

**Total Projected Fees: \$103,150.00**

**Total Projected Fundraising: \$53,500.00**

**Total Income: \$156,650.00**



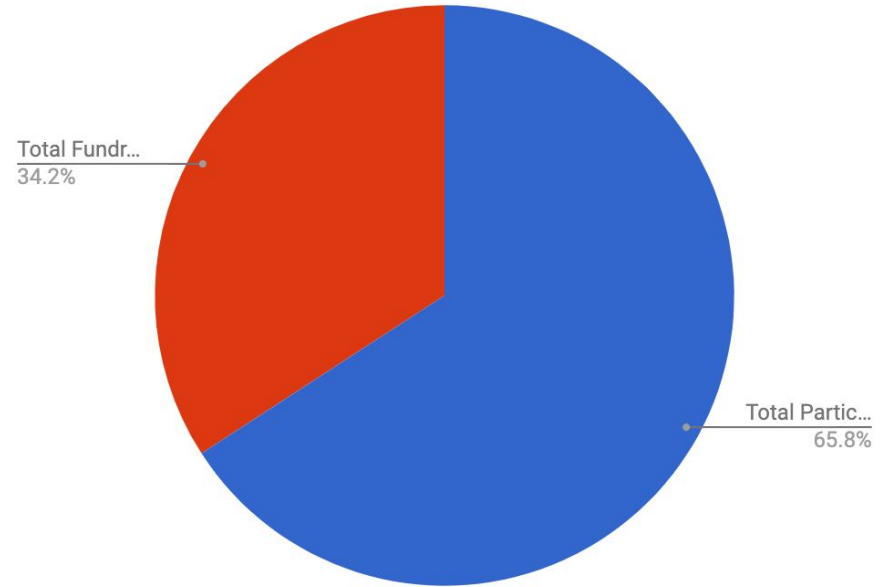




# Dues/Fundraising Chart



Category	Total Amount	Percentage	Participation Fee Without Fundraising
Total Participation Fees	\$103,150.00	65.85%	
Total Fundraising	\$53,500.00	34.15%	\$1,398.66





# EPHS Band Booster Organization



- The East Paulding High School Band Boosters, are an incorporated (501c3), non-profit, tax-exempt organization that exists to support the band program at East Paulding High School.
- You do not sign up to be a member and there are no dues. All parents and guardians of all students involved in the ensembles of the EPHS Bands, are automatically members.
- The Booster Club is guided by an Executive Board made up of officers and committee chairs who meet prior to the general booster meeting.
- The Booster Club general meetings are every month, generally on the second Monday at 7:00 pm in the EPHS Band Room (Always double check the calendar).
- Please try to set aside this evening each month to be an active part of the program.
- At the meeting, you receive information from the Executive Board, hear committee reports, receive financial updates, hear the directors speak, and have an opportunity to take an active part in the program.
- Please come and contribute your time and talents to the East Paulding High School Band Boosters!

# 2025-2026 Executive Board



President  
Ineke Hudson

Financial Vice President  
Chris Evans

Operations Vice President  
Tyler Brown

Treasurer  
Damon Hogan

Secretary

# Booster Committees



- Uniform
- Hospitality
- Concessions
- Fundraising
- Paulding Meadows
- Operations
- Chaperones
- Color Guard



# Booster Committees



## Uniforms

- Members are fitted for marching and concert uniforms during band camp.
- Volunteers help with dressing and storing uniforms after use.
- Uniforms are washed every few weeks during marching season and following the end of the season.

# Booster Committees



## Hospitality

- Set up, serve and clean up meals on the days we feed our kids!
- Band camp
- Away games
- Competitions

# Booster Committees



## Concessions

- Setup typically starts at 6:00 pm
- Clean up after the conclusion of the football game
- We work in shifts, so no one has to work the entire game
- Home games are:
  - August 22 vs North Paulding
  - Sept. 5 vs Hiram
  - Sept 12 vs Rome
  - October 17 vs Kennesaw Mt
  - October 24 vs South Paulding

# Booster Committees



## Fundraising

- Organize fundraisers
- Collect orders
- Sort orders on day of delivery
- Annual fundraisers:
  - Sheets (July/August)
  - Corporate Sponsorship Drive
  - Text-2-Raise
  - Cookie Dough
  - Hanging baskets
  - Band BBQ and Performance

# Booster Committees



## Paulding Meadows

- Set-up and cleaning of booth
- Sell concessions during the Arts and Crafts Festival
- Work at admission gate
- We work in shifts throughout the weekend
- Paulding Meadows takes place in September and is an all day event which the students participate in.



# Booster Committees



## Operations

- Build props for the show. We usually have a few workdays on Saturday mornings
- Move props to and from the field, set up during halftime shows and competitions
- Transport water during home games

# Booster Committees



## Chaperones

- Travel with our kids to and from away games and competitions
- Assist and support students during away games and competitions
- We have four buses and each needs two chaperones
- Away Games:
  - August 29 @ Paulding Co.
  - September 19 @ New Manchester
  - October 3 @ Lithia Springs
  - October 10 @ Alexander
  - October 31 @ Villa Rica

# Booster Committees



## Chaperones

- Competitions in October and November
  - LGPE in March

# Social Media



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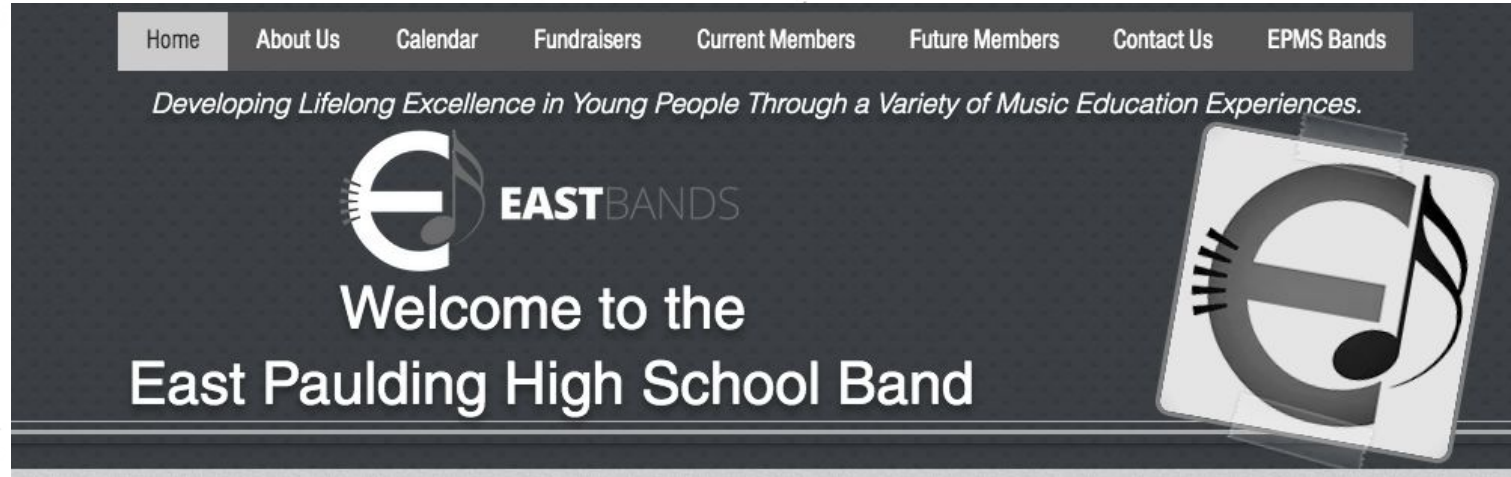
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The Band App



<https://band.us/@eastbands>

# Band Website!



[www.eastbands.com](http://www.eastbands.com)

Literally, everything is on there!





Questions?

