

## **Policies on Fundraising and Family Accounts Eaton Rapids Band Boosters, Inc.**

### **Introduction**

Eaton Rapids Band Boosters raises funds through Group and Individual fundraising activities, along with direct donations. All general money raised through donations is strictly used for support of the band program at all levels. Individual fundraising is intended to lessen the burden of music/band related expenses. Additional fund-raisers may be necessary, depending on the needs of the band.

### **Specific Guidelines:**

#### **General Fundraising**

These types of donations are intended to support activities that the school district does not support. It can be through monetary or material donations, but they help support either an individual band or the group as a whole.

#### **Group and Individual Fundraising**

This type of fundraising is where an individual receives a gift or service for their donation. These events are intended to raise funds for family accounts, support band activities, or both. The types of activities are as follow, but are not limited to:

#### **Continuous**

Scrip: Online Gift card purchasing

- First .5% of rewards go to the General Fund; remaining reward goes to the family account.

#### **Annual (Current and former activities)**

Value Card Sales: (Fall) Discounts at area establishments.

- Only General Fund.

Bake Sales: (Band Events) Bake goods sold at Band events.

- Only General Fund.

50/50 Ticket Sales: (Band Events)

- Only General Fund.

Wreath Sales: (November) Wreaths made locally

- Mix of Family Account and general fund; amount depends on the product.

Pie Sales: (December) Apple Pie sales

- Only Lesson Fund; Families can get reimbursed for lessons.

Rock-A-Thon: (February) Stay up all night marathon

- Only Family Account; Pledges for staying awake.

Car Wash: (Summer) Washing cars, through Band Council

- Only Family Account; funds divided among workers at the event.

Spartan Speedway: (Summer) Working Concession Stand

- Only Family Account; \$40 per person working event.

Corn Sales: (Summer) Selling corn at Farmers Market and in the evening

- Only General Fund.

Additional information can be found at  
<http://www.eatonrapidsbands.org/fundraising>.

### **Family Accounts**

Through group and individual fundraising, families can raise funds to reduce the cost of our many activities. All funds raised are property of ERBB, but may be dispersed to cover band/music related expenses at the discretion of the family providing it is within the following guidelines:

- a. Any person may choose to contribute directly to a particular family account by cash or check.
- b. Immediate family members may raise money for their band trip expenses through fundraising in order to cover expenses of chaperoning.
- c. Families can request payment or reimbursement for band related expenses. These expenses are limited to the purchase, lease, or maintenance (including consumables) of a musical instrument used by their student, fees for Band activities (Band trips/camp), uniform, lessons, and SmartMusic.
- d. Incidental expenses like band spirit-wear, CD/DVD's, beverages and meals of any kind will **not** be reimbursed.
- e. Family account funds are carried forward until the graduation of the youngest immediate family member.
- f. Upon graduation of the youngest sibling, or if the student leaves the band for more than two (2) years prior to graduation, or if the youngest sibling does not enroll in an Eaton Rapids Band program within three (3) years of the last graduated sibling, the family account becomes frozen on June 15<sup>th</sup> the year these conditions are satisfied.
- g. All Officers shall keep family account information confidential.
- h. Any questions regarding a student's account should be directed to the Treasurer. If the Treasurer and the student's family cannot resolve a conflict, the final decision will be made by at least three members of the Executive Board.

This policy becomes effective as approved by Eaton Rapids Band Boosters Inc. and supersedes any and all previous fundraising and Family account policy documents.