

GMHS Ram Bands!

Boosters Newsletter: Feb 24, 2024

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ALL STUDENTS & FAMILIES:

!! CRITICAL INFORMATION !!

Our bingo fundraising program is on the edge of ending. WE NEED YOUR HELP!! Currently, only a few people have been the core of trained individuals that work almost every Monday night making the session viable. This means that many of these individuals work every week (or almost every week). This is NOT sustainable. We've put the call out that we need others to step up and commit to being trained for one of our critical positions needed each week. We are looking for 4 people in each role so 20 people total - we currently only have had only 2 sign-up! This is not enough!

We need to have commitment from people to be one of our core of trained positions by March 1, 2024! Please sign up here!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/904084FA8AC2CAAF58-47860884-bingo#/>

If we do not get those commitments by March 1, the Board will have to make the decision to play out the remainder of our sessions with an end date in April or May 2024.

The Band Boosters Board of Directors wants this fundraising program to continue!! Having this kind of funding available will help support our program now, as it has, as well as help sustain this program into the future! But we must have your help!

If you want to learn more about these trained positions, visit our bingo page on our website: [GMHS Rams Bands - Bingo](#). Please feel free to also reach out directly and we will answer any/all of your questions!

Why is our bingo fundraiser SO important? Why should I spend my time helping with this?

PLEASE read a little more about why Band Boosters is doing bingo (published Oct 2023)! If you have ANY questions or concerns, please reply to this newsletter email or email directly at gmhsbandboosterssecretary@gmail.com or contact Mr. Wellman. We would also welcome you at the next Board meeting on March 5 at 6:00pm in the GMHS Choir room.

If you cannot commit to being in a trained position (working approximately once per month), we still need general workers EVERY week! Please sign up [HERE](#) for those weeks you are able to help! It is VERY hard to run sessions without general workers too! We really do need all hands on deck for our sessions throughout the year!

IMPORTANT NOTE: Because of bingo profits, the Band Boosters Board was able to reduce costs for Marching Band, Winter Guard, and all band related courses during the 2023-2024

school year - approximately \$16,000! Additionally, Mr. Wellman has been able to get several instruments fixed in the amount of approximately \$3000. Mr. Wellman is also putting together bids for marching band equipment and classroom equipment totaling approximately \$20,000 with hopes that all this new equipment will be in place for the 2024-2025 school year! This directly benefited all band programs and students!!

Board membership update

Katrina Hoing has stepped down as co-president of the GMHS Band Boosters. On Tues, Jan 23rd, the Board voted to fill this position by Brad Evans for the remainder of the 2023-2024 year. We whole-heartedly thank Katrina for the countless hours she's spent on behalf of our Ram Band family and the GMHS Band Boosters. And we thank Brad for being willing to serve the remainder of this position! Please let both of them know your appreciation! THANK YOU!!

Additionally, we will need to fill many of the Board positions for next year! The Band Boosters' fiscal year runs June 1 through May 31. PLEASE reach out to any of the current Board members including Mr Wellman if you might be interested in serving on the Board. The Boosters membership will need to vote on Board positions in April or May so the new people can take over June 1.

We also need to find a new gift card coordinator; this is not a Board position but critical for assisting fundraising efforts for the program and our families. Please reach out to Carrie at gmhsband.giftcards@gmail.com if you'd like to learn more.

Dining out fundraiser Update

On Wed, February 7th we held a dining out fundraiser at Red Robin on Colfax. We earned \$133 from Red Robin's 20% AND we earned another \$30 from families ordering Red Robin gift cards from our gift card program! Thank you to all who were able to come out and support us!

MARCHING BAND and GUARD STUDENTS AND FAMILIES!

Try it out days & preview meetings...

Watch for information coming in the next few months about meetings & recruiting for Fall 2024!

Upcoming events

- Fri, March 1 - Deadline for bingo commitments (see details above)
- Sat, March 2 - Winter guard competition at Legacy HS
- Tues, March 5 - Band Boosters BOD meeting @ 6:00pm (GMHS Choir room)
- Fri-Sat, March 7, 8, 9 - GMHS Spring musical
- Wed, March 13 - Spring bands concert
- Sat, March 30 - Winter guard competition at Monarch HS

- Sat, April 6 - Winter guard State competition at University of Denver

- Wed, May 8 - Final bands concert & senior showcase
- Sat, May 11 - Elitches Band Festival

General Information

Any questions related to Band Boosters can be sent to Sarah at gmhsbandboosterspresident@gmail.com. Any questions related to the Band Program can be sent to Mr. Wellman at edward.wellman@jeffcoschools.us

REMIND app - class join codes

All parents, guardians, and students should sign up!

All GMHS Bands: **@gmhsbanda**

GMHS Marching Band: **@gmhsmarc**

If you only want text message Reminders, you can text the class join code to 81010 (use 81010 as the "phone number" when texting). If you'd rather not have additional texts but app notifications use the Remind app. In the Remind app, click on the 3 lines in the upper left corner. From there, select "add class". Now select "Join existing class". Once clicked on that, it will ask you to enter the join code. Now enter either @gmhsmarc or @gmhsbanda for whichever class you want to join. If you want / need to join both classes, repeat the instructions for either the app or text using the other class code.

Social Media

[GMHS Band Boosters Facebook Page](#)

[GMHS Band Boosters Instagram](#)

Website

[GMHS Rams Bands](#)

****VERY important place to find all things related to the GMHS Band Program!**

****This is also where you can find the RamBand Calendar!**

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