

# TRUSSVILLE CITY SCHOOLS BAND FOUNDATION



## www.hewittband.com

#### What is the purpose of the TCS Band Foundation?

The Band Foundation is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization that provides much of the labor that is needed to "get the show on the field". We also help to provide for the organization's financial needs by staffing concessions and other fundraising events throughout the year. The Band Foundation does not interfere with the band directors or the school administration in day to day activities.

The TCS Band Foundation is comprised of all parents of band members (including colorguard and highsteppers). Relatives and friends are welcome to participate in Band Foundation activities. The TCS Band Foundation is a great way to stay connected with your children!

### How is the organization run?

The TCS Band Foundation is led by an elected slate of officers who compose the executive board. The executive board follows the bylaws of the organization. **Meetings are typically held at 7 p.m. in the HTHS band room the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of every month except for months beginning with "J".** The executive board typically meet prior to the general meetings. Board meetings are open to any TCS Band Foundation member. A schedule of meetings will be posted on our website. **TO STAY CONNECTED, ATTEND OUR MONTHLY MEETINGS!** 

**VISIT OUR WEBSITE** - www.hewittband.com. This page will help answer some questions about current events, where to get information, who to call for what

### Follow us on social media:

The TCS Band Foundation on Facebook	Trussville City Schools Band Foundation
The HTHS Band on Facebook	Hewitt-Trussville High School Husky Band
The HTMS Band on Facebook	Hewitt-Trussville Middle School Band
The HTMS Band on Instagram	@hewittband
The HTHS Auxiliaries on Instagram	@hewittauxiliary

The TCS Band Foundation Board of Directors are also available through email. Their contact information is on the main page of our website.

## Are there any dues required for Band Foundation membership?

There are no financial dues for Band Foundation membership, but the foundation depends on your support.

## **FUNDRAISING**

## Who benefits from the profits of fundraisers?

Your student and the band program benefits from fundraising opportunities. The Band Foundation does not get "a cut" of the profits.

### Ongoing Fundraising Events

The Hewitt Stadium concessions and the Trussville Marching Invitational ("TMI") which is also held at our stadium, provide over half of the Band's financial support and are the areas where we have the greatest need for volunteers. Everyone is required to work the TMI (this year it will be held on SATURDAY, OCTOBER 6), including students.

## AmazonSmile.

On your first visit to AmazonSmile, you will be prompted to select a charitable organization to receive donations from eligible purchases before you begin shopping. Choose Trussville City Schools Band Foundation and Amazon Smile will remember your selection, and every eligible purchase you make on AmazonSmile will result in a donation to our organization. The shopping experience is identical to <a href="mailto:Amazon.com">Amazon.com</a> with the added benefit that the AmazonSmile Foundation will donate 0.5% of the purchase price from eligible AmazonSmile purchases.

#### Planet Fundraiser



We have a great opportunity to raise money for our bands through an easy phone App called Planet Fundraiser. Simply download the App to your phone, visit a participating merchant and scan your receipt. Be sure to select "Trussville City Schools Band Foundation" as your charity. Visit their website (<a href="https://www.planetfundraiser.com">www.planetfundraiser.com</a>) for more information.

#### Spirit Nights

We work with local restaurants throughout the year to schedule spirit nights. When you eat at these restaurants, they will donate a percentage of the sales to our band program. You will receive notifications via social media and our website when these events are scheduled.

### Individual Student Account Fundraising Credit.

Certain fundraisers can qualify for individual student account credit that can be used toward the spring trip and certain band-related costs. These fundraising events vary from year to year and are at the discretion of the band directors. In the past, the Rockathon, Oak Mountain, Legions Field and others have qualified for individual account credit. The Band Foundation does not maintain or manage the monies that are earned from these fundraisers.

THESE CREDITS ARE MAINTAINED BY THE SCHOOL AND DO NOT CARRY OVER TO THE NEXT SCHOOL YEAR. All funds earned are the property of the HT BAND PROGRAM and any funds not used at the end of the school year will be absorbed into the general band account.

Any individual fundraising account credit requests should be directed to Mr. Waid.

### **VOLUNTEERS**. How can I help?

**HEWITT STADIUM CONCESSIONS**. The TCS Band Foundation operates the concession stands at Hewitt Husky Stadium for every home football game, including middle school, JV and high school, certain spring track events and the annual Trussville Marching Invitational on October 6.

We are currently looking to fill leadership roles on our **concessions team**. Please contact Jennifer Bender at <u>jenniferbender98@gmail.com</u> for more information.

**Signing Up to Volunteer**. We schedule all volunteers through the SignUp Genius website. If you do not already have an account, please create one at <u>signupgenius.com</u>.

In addition to the Concessions events as mentioned above, here are some events we will need help with throughout the year. A signup request will be sent via email or posted on our Facebook page in advance of the event, asking for help:

Annual Registration/Fitting Event (July 21, 2018 - TBD for 2019)

Band camp lunches (week of July 23, 2018)

Rockathon (August 3 and 4, 2018)

Concessions Clean-Up Day (August 4, 2018)

Miss Hewitt Husky Pageant (October 27, 2018)

Chaperoning away games and marching competitions (Shannon Graham will post a sign-up genius when the school year begins)

Senior Night (TBD)

Band Banquet (TBD)

Jazz Band Banquet (TBD)

State Band Assessment: MPA (TBD)

A member from every student's family (parent, or their designee) is required to work **3 fundraising events** per school year in addition to the Trussville Marching Invitational.

If you have not worked or signed up to work these events, you will not be eligible to chaperone any band event or the spring trip.

To find out more about areas where we need your help, volunteer and for FAQ's regarding volunteering, visit the "Volunteers" Tab on our website.