



F.L. Schlagle High School
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BAND PARENT INFO

Frequently Asked Questions

#1. How can I get involved with the band and volunteer my service?

You have been provided with a volunteer list of where the band could use your help. Fill out the parent volunteer sheet and return it to Mr. May or one of the band parents. We will make sure that you are called upon to help.

#2. Are parents allowed to go on local outings with the band?

Parents are always welcome to go on band outings. Just get clearance from Mr. May and/or Mr. Thomas.

#3. I would like to go on a local outing with the band. Are parents allowed to ride on the school bus?

Parents are always welcome to ride on the school bus, if there is space available. Please check with Mr. May and get clearance before making plans to ride the bus.

#4. I have small children that I would like to take on a band outing. Can children ride on the school buses?

NO children on the buses. This is a district transportation policy. Only F. L. Schlagle High School Band Students can ride on the bus.

#5. I would like to travel out of town with the band. Can I ride on the bus? What do I need to do?

- 1. Get clearance from Mr. May on space available first.**
- 2. Pay your fees.**
- 3. Be willing to help wherever help is needed.**
- 4. Have fun....**

#6. I would like to travel with the band out of town but I want to drive and trail behind the bus. Is this allowed? What do I need to know?



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Yes, you are allowed to drive your own vehicle and tail behind the buses. Please remember that once we get to our event site, you cannot always go where the buses go. You will be responsible for finding your own parking and/or any fees associated with it.

#7. My family and I are planning on going on some of the out of town trips which requires lodging. We will also drive our vehicle or some other means of transportation. What do I need to know?

If you are not riding on the bus along with the band, you are totally on your own as far as making your own hotel arrangements, getting to the events, getting your own tickets for the events, etc.

#8. What do I need to wear if I want to be a part of a band event and walk in a parade with the band?

Everyone is welcome to join in and be a part of the band. Everyone including children, adults, and alumni MUST wear a band T-shirt, shorts, and the new travel suit.

#9. Do students have to ride on the bus when going on a band local event?

Yes.

#10. Are students allowed to ride home with a parent/consenting adult after a band event?

Yes, students will be allowed to ride home with their parent after a band event. However, this is highly NOT recommended after an event. Each band member has certain obligations when they return back to the school. If you insist in taking your child home with you, a transportation form must be filled out and signed by your parent/legal guardian no later than the morning of or at least one hour prior to the band event/outing.

#11. Can my child ride home with another band member after a band event/outing?

Yes, with their parent/legal guardian's permission. You will need to fill out a transportation consent form and give it to Mr. May or Mr. Thomas the morning of or at least one hour prior to the band event/outing.

#12. There are times when I will allow my child to ride home from a band event with another parent, what do I need to do?



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#13. Can a band member bring a little sister or brother to a band event/outing?

No. All elementary and middle school students MUST be accompanied by an adult.

#14. The band is on an out of town trip and my child wants to ride back home with us, is this allowed? What do I need to know?

Yes, your child will be allowed to ride back home with you. However, keep in mind that there will not be any credit nor discount given toward your child's account.

#15. When are refunds given?

Refunds are only given under certain situations as follows:

- 1. Illness.**
- 2. Death in family.**
- 3. Senior that needs to take his/her ACT test.**

The band trips are calculated based on how many students are going on the trip.

*** Please stress to your child to stay focused and not get into any situation that would cause them to get into any trouble. If a student has paid on his/her band trip or has paid in full on their band trip, and for some unfortunate reason they get suspended right before a band trip and the Hotels and Buses are paid in full ~ there is NO MONEY FOR REFUNDS!**

When getting a refund students are only allowed to get back what was paid out other parent's personal fund. Any funds that are accumulated through general funds will go back into the band's general account.

#16. What types of fundraisers do the band do?

The band has two types of fundraisers:

- 1. Individuals = take advantage of companies that come and make a presentation like sausage/cheese, candy, etc.**
- 2. General Fund = Price Chopper Cards, Band Festival Tickets, etc.**



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#17. What happens if I do not pay my child's band expenses?

Your child will be placed on the school's obligation list. This list will follow them until it's time to graduate. We are not trying to intimidate anyone. We just want parents to take care of their expenses.

#18. Does the band always arrive at the scheduled time? (Local Band Outings)

NO! NO! NO!....Being responsible for the amount of students that we deal with requires us to make sure that every student is accounted for and that everything is in place before returning back to school. (Parents please go with us on a band outing to experience the responsibility we take with your children.)

#19. What about arrivals with out of town trips?

We have a band parent phone tree set in place so that parents will be called 1 hour prior to the band students arriving back at school from our out of town trips.

#20. Does the District help pay for our kids trips?

NO! Their support is giving in many other ways such as:

- 1. Trip's approval.**
- 2. Repair and maintenance of instruments.**
- 3. Purchase band equipment and uniforms.**

**** There is NO FREE RIDE! A student that does not help him/her self will not be helped.**