

July 28, 2023

Dear Students and Parents,

As the school year rapidly approaches, I want to make you aware of several purchases that need to be handled as soon as possible. Each item is listed in the table below. You can pay with cash, check, or credit card. Please include your **DRIVER'S LICENSE NUMBER** on ALL CHECKS.

CHECKS should be made out to **NORTH MESQUITE HIGH SCHOOL**.
CHECKS must be written in **BLUE OR BLACK INK**.

Money must be in a sealed envelope, clearly marked with student's name and band class, and placed in the box in the band office. (This includes all fundraisers, trip and fee payments, etc.)

Item	Cost	Who
Performance Shoes	\$50.00	New Members
Uniform Bag	\$45.00	New Members
Band Polo Shirt	\$26.00	New Members
NM Band Water Bottle	\$20.00	New Members
Dry-fit Practice Shirt	\$25.00	New Members
Ultimate Drill Book	\$20.00	ALL
Show T-Shirt	\$20.00	ALL
Performance Gloves/Earplugs (Perc)	\$10.00	ALL
Drink/Food Fee – includes all required snacks and meals	\$80.00	ALL
Uniform Cleaning Fee	\$70.00	ALL
Uniform Performance Top	\$60.00	ALL
Total – New Members	\$426.00	
Total – Returning Members	\$260.00	

Although the beginning of the school year is often an overwhelming time for student fees, please understand that these items must be purchased with the funds provided by the students.

As these items are necessary for our very first performances, you must turn in your Handbook/Fees Acknowledgement Form and your deposit/payment by Friday, August 18th. Without this form on file signed by a parent, your student will not be able to perform, and these missed performances will affect his/her grade.

As members of the Mesquite Independent School District, we are fortunate to have *EXTREMELY LOW* costs for enrollment in band. **Students across the metroplex often pay in excess of \$900 per year to perform as a part of the band program.** We are thankful for the high value that MISD places on music education and ask that you will quickly and graciously handle your portion of the supply requirements.

GUARD MEMBERS HAVE A SEPARATE FORM.

If you have any additional questions, please feel free to contact me. Thanks for your continued support! We're looking forward to a **GREAT YEAR!!!**



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Band Handbook and Fees Acknowledgment Form

Please return this form to Mr. Elwell prior to Friday, August 18, 2023.

We have received and read our copy of the 2023-2024 North Mesquite Band Policies and Procedures. We accept that these policies will govern the Big Blue Band and will make every effort to adhere to them. Additionally, our signatures below indicate that we've received and acknowledge the 2023-2024 Band Fees. We understand that these fees are required of all students and will not be waved if we choose to leave (or are removed) from the program.

Member Name (Printed)

Parent Name (Printed)

Band Member Signature

Parent Signature

<u>2023-2024 Big Blue Band Fees:</u>	
Returning Wind/Percussion Members (Veterans):	\$260.00
New Wind/Percussion Members (Rookies):	\$426.00
Returning Guard Members (Guard Vets):	\$487.00
New Guard Members (Guard Rookies):	\$716.00

<u>PAYMENT OPTIONS:</u>		Mark OPTION
Option #1 - Full payment - ☺		
Option #2 - THREE (3) equal payments ON OR BEFORE 8/18, 9/15, and 10/20		
Option #3 - Minimum deposit of \$25 by 8/18 and _____ equal payments every _____ weeks. (Must be paid in full by 11/17/2023 to avoid a record hold.)		

Handbook/Fees form, a deposit, and a previous year balance of ZERO (Veterans only) is required by 8/24/2023 before your student can perform as a member of the 2023 Big Blue Band.