



New Parent Manual – Valley View IMP Boosters

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Who the Boosters Are

The Valley View Band/Color Guard Boosters is an established 501c (3) non-profit organization (#33-0425156) helping to promote events and competition for the Valley View Band/Color Guard program made possible only through fundraisers and donations from parents and the community. The Boosters are made up of all parents of current students in the VVHSIMP (Valley View High School Instrumental Music Program) and of those who want to support the music program at Valley View High School. Only parents of current students have the authority to vote during a B-Meeting (Booster Meeting).

What the Boosters Do

The Valley View Band/Color Guard Boosters make up the difference between what the Moreno Valley School District pays for and what is needed to make the music program at Valley View the best it can be. Through fundraising and student's "fair share", the Boosters are able to pay for the needed instructors for the different programs throughout the year. Some of the items the Boosters fund are the following: field shows, music arrangements, marching instructors, drumline instructors, color guard instructors, and jazz band instructors and Caption Heads.

What Is "Fair Share"

The "fair share" amount of the budget is the difference between what the school district pays and what is needed to fund the music programs at Valley View. Each program has a budget, and that budget is split among the students in that program; the amount for each student is the "fair share" amount. There is a "fair share" amount for each program (Marching Band, Color Guard, Winter Drumline, Winter Guard, Jazz). Profits from fundraisers and the "fair share" amount allow the Boosters to fund the different music programs at Valley View.



How the Programs Are Funded

In June every year the Band Director presents the Boosters with a budget of items that are not supported by the school district. Competition fees, event fees, instructors' fees, uniforms, and other items needed in order to compete may be approved, but that does not guarantee they will be funded. It is only through the support of all parent donations, community sponsorship, scrip, and fundraisers that the Boosters can assist the Band/Color Guard program. Without all of the donations, sponsorships, fundraisers, and scrip our Band/Color Guard program would become just another class.

When the Boosters Meet

The Boosters usually meet once a month to cover and discuss upcoming events. It is very important that "all" Boosters attend these meetings. The meetings are used by the Band Director and the E-Board (Executive Booster Board) to disseminate information about the music program to parents. The difference between a successful and a failing program can usually be traced back to parent involvement. Last year the B-Meetings were held on the first Monday of every month. Please note that the new incoming E-Board has the right to change the meeting night. Whenever a meeting night falls on a holiday, the meeting is usually moved to the following Monday. Meetings usually start at 7pm and last about 1 hour. All parents and students are welcome to all meetings.

How You Can Get Involved

1. Attend and help in the different events throughout the year.

The only way the different events will be a success and the program will improve is if we have parent participation. Most of the events are not only opportunities for the students, but are also fundraisers to allow the Boosters to hire the different instructors for your students.

2. Pay your "fair share" on time

The fees for each student are the funds that allow the Boosters to pay for the instructors for our students. The fees, along with the different fundraisers throughout the year are the only resources the Boosters have to continue to support the program at Valley View High School. The only salary that is paid by MVUSD is the Band Director. ALL other salaries must be paid by the Boosters. Paying your fees on time is key to the success of the program at Valley View. The Boosters sponsor a number of fundraisers to help parents afford the student fees. You may pay your fees in the following way: Cash, Check, Credit Card.

3. Offer your time and talents

Throughout the year different jobs are needed at the different events. All parents have something they can contribute to the program at Valley View, and that is time. "Many hands make the load light." The more parents who get involved and donate their time, the easier it is to present a GREAT program for our students at Valley View. Also, each one of us have different talents which can be used to enhance the program. There are many "small" jobs to help the effort; not everyone has to be a boss or committee leader.

Major Fundraisers

The major fundraisers for the year are:

1. WBA Crimson Classic Field Show

Host a field show; parent help is needed for traffic control, crowd control, parking control, judge runners, hospitality, setup, and take down. The profit from this fundraiser usually goes into the Booster general account.

2. SCSBOA Veteran's Day Classic

Host a field show; parent help is needed for traffic control, crowd control, parking control, judge runners, hospitality, setup, and take down. The profit from this fundraiser usually goes into the Booster general account.

3. Car Raffle

We sell raffle tickets with a chance to win a car from Moreno Valley Chevrolet. The raffle is sponsored by the Rotary Club of Moreno Valley. This fundraiser is usually a 50/50 deal, where 50% of the profit goes into the Booster's general account, and 50% goes into the students' accounts.

4. Thanksgiving CoCo's pies

We sell Coco's pies at Thanksgiving time, and the profit usually goes into the students' accounts.

5. Car Washes

We do multiple car washes throughout Moreno Valley, and the profit usually goes into the Booster general account.

6. Spring Faire

We sell bottles of Starbuck's coffee and tostadas at the Spring Faire held during lunch each April, and the profit usually goes into the Booster's general account.

7. Water Sales at Graduation

We sell bottles of water at graduation, and the profit usually goes into the Booster's general account. We also collect and recycle the bottles.

8. Dinner Concert

This concert is part of the end-of-the-year activities. Each program participates and plays during this concert. The profit from this fundraiser helps to pay for the trophies for the Awards Banquet in June.

9. Online Store

The online store sells merchandise to support all the programs. The profit helps to pay for the trip to championships as well as other costs, such as gas for the semi-truck which is used for transportation to field shows.

10. Sponsorships

The sponsorship program is one of the easiest programs to help students with their "fair share" portion. All they have to do is send a sponsor's letter to family members and friends. You will be surprised at how well this works and helps to keep the costs down for the students. The complete sponsorship "donation" goes into the student's account. Also remember that the parties giving the sponsorship "donation" can write off the gift on their taxes, since we are a 501c (3) non-profit organization (#33-0425156). The forms are on the website (www.vvhsimp.org).

10. Advertisement Year Book

The year book ad book program is another good way for students to raise money for their accounts. Also remember that the parties giving the sponsorship "donation" can write off the gift on their taxes, since we are a 501c (3) non-profit organization (#33-0425156). The forms are on the website (www.vvhsimp.org).



Budget Information

Financial Payment Plans

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Crimson Regiment – Marching Band

Fair Share Costs Break Down

* Example is for “New Members in Marching Band”

Payment Schedule

Monday, May 01, 2007	\$150
Monday, June 04, 2007	\$150
Monday, July 02, 2007	\$150
Monday, August 06, 2007	\$125
Monday, September 03, 2007	\$100
Monday, October 08, 2007	\$75
Monday, November 05, 2007	\$25

Total = \$775

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Crimson Regiment – Colorguard

Fair Share Costs Break Down

* Example is for “New Members in Fall Colorguard”

Payment Schedule

Monday, May 01, 2007	\$200
Monday, June 04, 2007	\$200
Monday, July 02, 2007	\$150
Monday, August 06, 2007	\$150
Monday, September 03, 2007	\$125
Monday, October 08, 2007	\$100
Monday, November 05, 2007	\$90

Total = \$1015

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Winter Colorguard

Fair Share Costs Break Down

* If guard plans a trip to Dayton, OH the budget would have to increase by additional \$600

Payment Schedule

Monday, December 03, 2007	\$275
Monday, January 07, 2008	\$275
Monday, February 04, 2008	\$250
Monday, March 03, 2008	\$250
Monday, April 07, 2008	\$200
Monday, May 05, 2008	\$150

Total = \$1400

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Winter Drumline

Fair Share Costs Break Down

* If drumline plans an out of state trip "fair share" will go up

Payment Schedule

Monday, December 03, 2007	\$125
Monday, January 07, 2008	\$125
Monday, February 04, 2008	\$100
Monday, March 03, 2008	\$100
Monday, April 07, 2008	\$75
Monday, May 05, 2008	\$75

Total = \$600

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Jazz

Fair Share Costs Break Down

Payment Schedule

Monday, December 03, 2007 \$125
Monday, January 07, 2008 \$125
Monday, February 04, 2008 \$125
Monday, March 03, 2008 \$100
Monday, April 07, 2008 \$75
Monday, May 05, 2008 \$50

Total = \$600

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WindEnsemble

Fair Share Costs Break Down

Payment Schedule

Monday, December 03, 2007 \$20

Total = \$20

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Concert Band

Fair Share Costs Break Down

Payment Schedule

Monday, December 03, 2007 \$20

Total = \$20

Next Years Board

2007-08 Booster Board

Position	Duties	Name
President		Paul Kirchmann
1st Vice President	Inventory	Mike Killeen
2nd Vice President	Fund Raisers	Wendy Alvarado
3rd Vice President	Membership/Uniforms	Meli Lopez
Treasurer	Financial/Student Accounts	Lea Guzman
Recording Secretary	Meeting Notes	Cheryl Laney
Corresponding Secretary	Correspondence	

How To Stay Connected

It is very important that every parent (Booster) stays connected and involved with the program throughout the year. There are a couple of ways you can do this:

1. Attend the monthly B-Meetings.
2. Participate in the different functions and fundraisers throughout the year.
3. Visit the website on a regular basis for up-to-date information:
www.vvhsimp.org
4. Check out the calendar on the website on a regular basis for updates and changes.

