



2025-2026 Financial Letter

Waxahachie HS Band

Thank you for joining the **Spirit of Waxahachie Indian Band**. Our aim is to teach students valuable life skills that will stay with them forever. We have an exciting show planned for the upcoming season, but it comes with expenses. This overview will explain the costs and payment options for your membership in our band.

Fair Share Fee -Commitment and Coverage

This season, the band will participate in contests in Hurst, Duncanville, and the State Marching Contest in San Antonio. The **fair share** cost per student, which includes Winds, Percussion, and Color Guard (including the guard uniform), is \$525 and \$350 for other siblings. There may be additional expenses for uniform accessories and instrument rental. However, students will not be required to make additional payments for travel or meals during band-sanctioned events throughout the season. The Band Boosters operate to help fund many other operating costs incurred by the program in order to keep band fees as low as possible.

Program expenses covered as part of this fee include:

- Professional show design (music, drill, choreography, props)
- Marching and Concert Masterclasses
- Transportation (all football games and contests)
- Overnight lodging (State Marching in San Antonio)
- Meals (all football games, contests and extended rehearsals)
- Contest registration fees
- Gloves for winds/percussion, member uniform shirt
- Gallon Thermos Juguzzi Covers W/ Logo

Additional non-covered expenses could include:

- Marching band shoes (\$45.00)
- Poncho (\$11.00)
- Reeds
- Black socks
- Athletic shirt and shorts
- Color Guard shoes, makeup, gloves, rifle

Fair Share Fee -Payment Options

Each parent's commitment to the full and timely payment of their fees is critical to our ability to honor and maintain the financial obligations necessary to operate the program. A fee schedule is provided below if you wish to pay in installments. You may pay in full at any time. Please contact Chrissy Holmberg at waxahachiebandtreasurer@gmail.com for more information on payment assistance or if a different payment plan is necessary for your situation.

Payment Schedule

- On or before May 31 - \$250
- On or before August 1st - \$150
- On or before September 15th—\$125

Fee Remittance

- You may pay fees online, cash, check
- Pay online directly from Quickbooks emailed invoice (if you do not receive an invoice, please contact waxahachiebandtreasurer@gmail.com)
- Cash or Check written to "Waxahachie Band Booster" with child's name and "band fees" on the memo line and put in the black box

Fair Share Fee – Financial Assistance

We understand that hardships can arise and want to ensure every student has the ability to participate in band. The **Band Fee Assistance Program** is intended to help cover expenses in order to minimize the financial burden to families in need. There are two ways to receive assistance:

1. **Student Band Fee Scholarship:** Students may be eligible to receive partial Band Fee Scholarship for the 2025-2026 season. Scholarships are limited and based on funds available.
2. **Student Band Fee Extended Payment Plan:** Students who do not qualify for a scholarship may be eligible for the Band Fee Extended Payment Plan, allowing smaller payments over a longer period.

Get financial assistance forms online at <http://www.spiritofwaxahachie.com/Fundraising/Fundraising.htm>.
Or contact a band director for an emailed form.



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Fundraising Opportunities

Car Wash (June 14)

Collect pledges for the band's car wash. The pledged money will be submitted to the band and credited to your account. Ensure that the money is placed in the designated black box with your name and "car wash" clearly written on it. The band usually washes 250-300 cars for this event on June 10th.

Garage Sale (June 14)

Families bring their garage sale items to the Lumpkins Stadium parking lot and sell them. The money collected will be submitted to the band and credited to your account. Please ensure that the money is placed in the designated black box with your name and "garage sale" clearly written on it. Most families typically earn between \$100 and \$250.

Volunteer Credits (Football Season)

Students, parents, family members, friends, and others are invited to volunteer in our concession stands during varsity, junior varsity, freshman, and junior high football games. By helping out, you can earn credits that will be applied toward the current year's student band fees.

Please note that we no longer use a physical sign-in book. All volunteers must sign in by scanning the QR code posted on the concession door and completing the online form.

It is the responsibility of the parent or guardian to ensure that each shift is properly logged in the system in order to receive credit.

Concession credits are limited to the total amount of band fees charged in 2025-2026. Credits can be applied to current or future year's band fees.

Amount of Credit Earned for Games

- \$40 for each varsity football game
- \$20 for all other football game (for nights with two games, you will receive \$20 for each game)

The Waxahachie Band Boosters are a registered 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization.

Businesses or individuals who donate to the general fund can request a [tax receipt](#) and are eligible for deduction.