



STUDENT EXPENSES

2008 - 2009

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The Simi Valley High School instrumental music department offers many choices of music education experiences, including various classes offered before, during and after regular school hours. Each of these classes has significant funding needs, with minimal funding by our school district. Substantial amounts of necessary department expenses are not district funded and require student funds and/or student fundraising. The Simi Valley High School Music Boosters supplements the unfunded expenses of the department by offering fundraising events and providing students with the opportunity to raise funds to cover their individual expenses.

Student Fees and Student Fund Accounts

Expenses required to run a successful instrumental music program include costs to maintain and periodically replace instruments, cases, uniforms, supplies and equipment. They also include ongoing costs such as purchasing musical scores, supplemental and professional instruction, festival and competition registration fees, and transportation for students and equipment, including fees for buses, truck rental, mileage and fuel. While the music boosters contributions pay for a significant portion of the overall department costs, individual students fund the remaining costs in the form of class and transportation fees.

Student Fund Accounts

The SVHS Music Boosters organize numerous fundraisers throughout the year to provide opportunities for students to raise their own funds to cover the costs of their instrumental music department student fees, and to provide the necessary operating funds that allow the booster organization to support the department activities. Profits from booster fundraising activities are split between the participating students and the booster organization, with up to 100% being allocated to the students. The profit split varies and is determined individually for each activity. The student account provides an excellent means of funding the expense of participating in the instrumental music program. It is not uncommon for a student who actively participates in fundraising activities to generate enough funds to cover the majority, if not all, of their expenses.

All money earned by individual students during fundraising activities is maintained in a student account fund, which is accounted for independently from the booster's general operating account. Money can be withdrawn from the student's fund account balance to offset expenses such as student fees or other incidental costs. As expenses are incurred, the student may use a Student Account Transfer Form to request funds from their account be used to satisfy the expense. At the end of the school year, any unused funds are carried to the next year. When students leave the instrumental music department with no likelihood of returning (e.g. graduating seniors), the funds are either transferred to the accounts of sibling students, or relinquished to the booster's general operating account.

Student Fees

Anticipated student fees for each class are outlined below. Fees are for the entire year/season for each class/activity. While exhaustive efforts are made to accurately predict the projected costs of each particular activity, actual costs may vary and could require changes in the student fees.

Marching Band

(est. 52 participants)

New Students

Booster/Program Fees (Pay to SVHS Boosters)

Shoes, Gloves	\$35.00
Dickies Jackets	\$75.00
Uniforms (+cleaning)	\$53.00
Band Camp – incl. all instructors, refreshments	\$157.00
Competition related fees – incl. directors, instructors	\$115.00
Choreography, Field Show drills	\$55.00
Field Music, Drumline music	\$62.00
Equipment	\$75.00
T-Shirt	\$8.00
Semester Student Fee payable to SVHS Music Boosters	\$635.00
Semester Bus Transportation Fee payable to SVHS ASB	\$100.00
Total Semester Fees	\$735.00

** Please note that all Marching Band students are required to obtain ASB Membership cards from the ASB Office (see below).

Returning Students

Booster/Program Fees (Pay to SVHS Boosters)

Uniforms (+cleaning)	\$53.00
Band Camp – incl. all instructors, refreshments	\$157.00
Competition related fees – incl. directors, instructors	\$115.00
Choreography, Field Show drills	\$55.00
Field Music, Drumline music	\$62.00
Equipment	\$75.00
T-Shirt	\$8.00
Semester Student Fee payable to SVHS Music Boosters	\$525.00
Semester Bus Transportation Fee payable to SVHS ASB	\$100.00
Total Semester Fees	\$625.00

Uniforms will be provided to all marching band students. Students will also receive a SVHS Instrumental Music Department T-Shirt.

Concert Band

(est. 35 participants)

Formal Attire Rental & Cleaning	\$48.00
Equipment / Supplies	\$14.00
T-Shirt	\$8.00
Annual Student Fee payable to SVHS Music Boosters	\$70.00
Annual School Bus Transportation Fee payable to SVHS ASB**	N/R
Total Annual Fees	\$70.00

Students in these classes will be fitted for, and provided use of, complete formal attire to be worn at all performances. Students will also receive an SVHS Instrumental Music Department T-Shirt.

** NOTE: Concert Band will not participate in any Festival activities, so Fee not req'd

Orchestra and Wind Ensemble

(est. 44 participants)

Formal Attire Rental & Cleaning	\$48.00
Equipment / Supplies	\$22.00
Festival related fees - incl. Truck Rentals, Fuel	\$32.00
T-Shirt	\$8.00
Annual Student Fee payable to SVHS Music Boosters	\$110.00
Annual School Bus Transportation Fee payable to SVHS ASB	\$100.00
Total Annual Fees	\$210.00

Students in these classes will be fitted for, and provided use of, complete formal attire to be worn at all performances. Students will also receive an SVHS Instrumental Music Department T-Shirt.

** NOTE: Transportation Fees required, supporting Festival Schedule

Jazz Band

(est. 23 participants)

Equipment / Supplies	\$8.00
Festival related fees - incl. Director, Instructors	\$269.00
T-Shirt	\$8.00
Semester Student Fee payable to SVHS Music Boosters	\$285.00
Semester Bus Transportation Fee payable to SVHS ASB	\$100.00
Total Semester Fees	\$385.00

Jazz Students will receive an SVHS Instrumental Music Department T-Shirt.

Winter Guard

(est. 8 participants)

Uniform	\$125.00
Equipment / Supplies	\$62.00
Competition Fees – incl. Instructor, Trailer, Fuel	463.00
Choreography, Drill	\$95.00
Semester Student Fee payable to SVHS Music Boosters	\$745.00
Semester Bus Transportation Fee payable to SVHS ASB	\$ 0.00
Total Semester Fees	\$745.00

Transportation to/from competitions will be coordinated by parents and instructor.

ASB Membership

Marching band students are required to purchase an ASB Card from the SVHS ASB office during August orientation. Paid ASB receipts must be shown to the Membership Chairperson in order to record the payment. **Please SAVE your Receipt !**

Payments

Checks for all student fees must be made payable to the SVHS Music Boosters. Checks for all ASB transportation fees must be made payable to SVHS ASB (Turn into the ASB office). For Music Booster payments, use the “Payment Slip” form.

DON'T FORGET: Since the boosters are a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization, payments for student fees to the SVHS Music Boosters may be tax deductible (T-shirts, shoes, gloves and Dickies Jackets excluded). Be sure to check with your tax advisor.

Marching Band

All marching band fees are due on the first day of band camp. Students who have not paid their fees in full, or have not made payment arrangements by the first football game, may be asked not to perform. Payments can be made throughout the summer by mailing payments to the SVHS Music Boosters at P.O. Box 1013, Simi Valley, CA 93062. The enclosed payment slip should accompany all checks. Please include the student's name on the “memo” line of your check.

All Other Classes

Checks can be mailed to the SVHS Music Boosters at P.O. Box 1013, Simi Valley, CA 93062, or may be turned in to the Membership Chairperson at the beginning of the school year. The enclosed payment slip should accompany all checks. Please include the student's name on the “memo” line of your check.