



WHO ARE THE SIMI VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL MUSIC BOOSTERS?

Behind every successful instrumental music department is an active group of parents. The purpose of this group is to support and essentially fund the school music program. The Simi Valley High School Music Boosters are a dedicated group of parents who volunteer their time and talent to ensure the success of the Simi Valley High School instrumental music department.

We work closely with the Instrumental Music Director to enhance the student experiences and educational opportunities. Supported programs include Concert Band, Wind Ensemble, Orchestra, Jazz Band, Winter Guard, Latin Combo, Color Guard and the Marching Pioneer "Pride". Fundraising helps supplement program needs determined by the director and the SVHS Music Boosters. General fundraisers benefit the whole program, but we also help with the student costs by providing students the opportunity to earn money to help pay for their expenses, such as fees and trips.

Who Is Eligible To Be A Booster Parent?

Membership is composed of parents and guardians of **all** students in the instrumental music program. Each parent is considered a member no matter how involved you choose to be. There is no enrollment or membership fee required, but Boosters are requested to contribute a "fair share" portion of the costs to enable the programs offered each year. (See student expenses information) There are monthly meetings of the executive board and general boosters, which are typically combined on the third Wednesday of each month. Meeting dates are verified ahead of time in the newsletter and on the website calendar.

Why is Your Support of the SVHS Music Boosters Important?

Music programs are costly, but worth it. Their value is both to the students and the community. Research demonstrates the important role music programs and the fine arts play in the development of intelligence. With the major shortfall in California state education funding, it is imperative that we aggressively raise funds to 1) repair and/or replace instruments that are more than 30 years old and are either obsolete or beyond repair, 2) provide field and clinical staff for the various performing groups, 3) provide funding for other departmental necessities such as purchasing sheet music, providing uniforms, and coordinating truck rentals for festivals and competitions. We want to ensure all students have access to instruments, equipment, staff and supplies.

Come join this fantastic group of parents and share your student's high school music experience.