



Southeast Raleigh High School's

Bulldog Band Banner

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Quote of the Month

"...the best attended JV football game ever."

Mr. Scott

Bulldog Band Bash

The First Annual Bulldog Band Bash will be held on September 27. All committees are hard at work to ensure the success of this event: Tickets, Programs, Concessions, Publicity, Band Check-In, Field Show Coordinator, Equipment Coordinator, Bus Parking and Security, Statistician, Band Director Hospitality and Judges Hostess, Changing and Uniform Repair, DVD/Videotaping, First Aid, Selling Announcements and Ugliest Band Director Contest, Raffles. Please contact Charles Finch to get on one of these committees. We will need all parents and band students participating on the day of the event. Our band will perform at the completion of the competition.

Program ads and trophy sponsorships are still available. We need to

close out on all sales within the next week. Prices have been reduced for purchase by a band family member or by a band section. (Costs to businesses remain the same.) Please consider buying a congratulatory ad for your child or for a group of band students. Or consider sponsoring a trophy in your child's name or for your child's section. Sponsorships will be listed in the program as well. The reduced prices are as follows: all 1st, 2nd and 3rd place trophies are \$25; 1/8 page ad is \$15; 1/4 page ad is \$25; 1/2 page ad is \$50; and a full page ad is \$100. Please note that these reduced prices are at cost and therefore do not provide the 25% credit to your student account. Turn in your ad and payment to Mr. Scott or to Charles or Jody Finch.

The concessions committee is contracting out the major concessions, for which we will receive a percentage of sales. The band will be selling drinks, baked goods, and ice cream. The committee needs a lot of volunteers to help sell to keep those lines moving. Many of the items have been donated for us to sell which greatly increases our profit. If you have contacts with a business who might be willing to donate additional items, please contact Rick Roberson. The concessions committee will be meeting on Tuesday September 9 at 6:15 to create a work schedule and have a walk thru. All interested volunteers are invited to this meeting.

Jill Bright is in charge of the raffles and is seeking donations as well. She is particularly looking for big ticket items: portable CD player, leaf blower, tent, generator, etc.

CALENDAR

Event	Date
Home Football Game, WF-R, Homecoming, Warm weather	Sept 5, Walk thru 5:30, game 7:30
Band in the Boonies Exhibition, East Wake HS, Warm weather	Sept 16, Walk thru 4:00
Home Football Game, New Bern, Cool weather	Sept 19, Walk thru 5:30, game 7:30
Band Competition, McMichael HS	Sept 20, Walk thru 11:00 AM
Fruit Sale Kick Off, SRHS Aud	Sep 23 6:00 PM
Home Football Game, N. Durham, Cool weather	Sept 26, Walk thru 5:30, game 7:30
First Annual Bulldog Band Bash	Sept 27, Arrive 1:00
Band Fall Break	Sep 28-Oct 7
Band Booster Meeting	Oct 7, 6 PM
Rehearsals during Break	Oct 8, 9 and 10, 8 AM - 12 noon
Band Competition, Garner/Southview	Oct 11 Arrive 10 AM, Leave after SATs

Hospitality Committee Notes

The students will be fed dinner before leaving for Band in the Boonies. The hospitality committee is asking for donations of individual bags of chips and desserts to go along with the provided meal. Parents

are needed to help set up and serve the meal as well. Contact Donna Keene if you are able to help.

The Hospitality committee will also be providing a meal on the double competition day, Octo-

ber 11. They are asking for donations of fruit (e.g. apples or plums).

If you are one of the hospitality chairs for a football game or a competition, please contact Donna with your list of volunteers.

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Newsletter Suggestions?

Contact Jody Finch
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Next Band Booster Meeting

Date: October 7, 2003
Time: 6:00 PM
Place: Band Room

Next TIPS Training

Date: Sept 9, 2003
Time: 6:00 PM
Place: VIP Tent
Walnut Creek

Announcements

- Yes, we still need cups (they use 200-300 every practice or game) as well as snacks, fruit, and drinks.
- The band is in need of two 140-quart coolers—we will need to take 5 with us to each competition.
- Parents who would like to help set up and serve dinner before Band in the Boonies on September 16 should contact Donna Keene.
- Accessory prices are increasing. Check the list on the uniform door to see if you owe anything on your accessory orders.
- Last chance to order a jacket is September 5 at the football game. All 4 types of jackets will be available to preview.
- More Dads are needed on the Daddy Crew. Contact Richard Kendall to sign on.

More Announcements

- All student artists or artist-wannabes are invited to submit a drawing for the program cover for our Bulldog Band Bash. Winner receives a \$25 cash award. Turn in your entries to Mr. Scott.
- Kick off for the Fall Fruit Sale is Tuesday September 23 at 6 PM in the SRHS auditorium. The sale will conclude just before Thanksgiving. Chair Al Godley reminds everyone that a possible trip to California to participate in the Hollywood Christmas Parade is in the works for November 2004. Sell fruit now to build up your student account.
- Last Tip Training is Tuesday September 9 at 6 PM in the VIP tent at Walnut Creek. The more TIP trained workers we have, the greater the probability that we will get the “good” concessions next season. The training is good for 3 years.

Purchasing New Uniforms

The school district supplies us with \$25,000 toward the purchase of new uniforms. We must use this money by May 2004 or we lose it until another 7 years goes by. Mr. Modest has allocated another \$10,000 from his school funds for the purchase of new uniforms. In order to make a final payment by May 2004, the order must be placed by December 2003.

A new uniform costs in the neighborhood of \$300; hat and jacket are \$220 and pants/bibs are \$80. We are looking at ordering 150 to 180 uniforms, creating a total cost of \$45,000 to \$54,000. This means we as a Booster Club must supply an additional \$10,000 to \$19,000 above the \$35,000 from the school district in order to cover the expense of the new uniforms. We have no money budgeted for this. We must raise the additional money or pay out of pocket at an estimated cost of \$67 to \$127 per

family.

In October we will have a clearer picture of our financial status. We will know if we have met the 90% fee collection set by our budget. We will also know what profit we made from our band competition. (All profits from our Bulldog Band Bash have been earmarked for new uniform purchases.) We will also know the exact costs and exact numbers of the uniform order. With this knowledge, the boosters will be asked to consider at the October Booster meeting how they wish to proceed.

We all would like to see our students outfitted in new uniforms and we certainly shudder at the thought of turning away \$35,000. However, a decision to proceed with placing the order requires a firm commitment from all of us parents to raise the money necessary to cover our debt in a timely manner.

Work Opportunities

Walnut Creek and Event One work opportunities still exist. Please log on to the website and fill up those available slots. Even if you have paid off your activity fees, you can “bank” the money for the spring trip or for use next year. We need to demonstrate to Event One that we are committed to our relationship with them so that we can expand our opportunities with them to other events. Workers at the games this past weekend commented on how easy the work was.

The contract with Walnut Creek to rent chairs may not be a sure thing for next season. However, Teresa Yent has forged a positive relationship with Aramark and we are poised to expand into the “good” concession booths. Aramark looks at the total percentage of TIP trained volunteers for a given group when assigning concession booths. The more parents we have who are TIP trained, the greater our chances of getting the desired booths.