

FINANCIAL HARDSHIP PROGRAM

APALACHEE HIGH SCHOOL MARCHING BAND

GENERAL

The Apalachee High School Marching Band is a voluntary activity that has no effect on class grades. The marching band is supported by the dues that are collected from the participants. It is imperative that all members pay their dues in a timely manner to ensure that the marching band can meet its' monetary commitments. Since marching band is voluntary and costs money it may not be a good fit for every student.

We want every student interested in being part of the marching band to have the chance to participate. As such we are aware that some families may not be able to afford the cost of the activity. The Band program does not offer scholarships for marching band, but we do offer the chance to get some of your dues waived through the Financial Hardship program. The band will use a number of opportunities that can help families that have a need.

ELIGIBILITY

- Any Apalachee High School student that intends to participate in the Marching Band
- Student must be in good standing with Apalachee High School in regards to both grades and behavior
- Student and/or family must exhibit a general financial need
- Have demonstrated reasonable participation in fundraising opportunities
- Parents must volunteer time to marching band events

The definition of financial need for our purposes is anything that may reduce the income in the household that would prevent a student from being able to pay for marching band dues. Examples included, but are not limited to: loss of parent, loss of job, loss of home, or medical bills.

INSTRUCTIONS

1. Complete the Financial Hardship Form completely and accurately. Get a copy from the band website or Mr. Fuller.
2. Return the form to the box or mail it to:
Matt Fuller
Apalachee High School
940 Haymon Morris Road
Winder, Georgia 30680
3. All forms should be returned by May 1, 2015 for consideration.
4. A letter with the results of your request will be delivered to the student before Commitment Day.

WAIVERS

If the marching band provides you with a waiver of fees, there may be certain conditions that accompany your assistance package. You will be expected to comply by all of the terms in your assistance package. Failure to meet the terms and due dates will result in your student being excluded from:

- ✓ A leadership position in the marching band
- ✓ A chance to earn a letter or other awards
- ✓ A place in the field show
- ✓ The opportunity to receive additional waivers in future years

Financial Hardship Form

Please complete all questions on this form. The information you provide will be kept confidential. You may be asked to come in for a conference to further discuss your request. A letter will be returned to you with the resolution of this request.

Student Information

Student Name		Home Phone#	
Address			
City		State	Zip
What is the student's average grade?	A B C D F	Did the student have a suspension (ISS or OSS) this year? If yes, please explain.	Yes No
Parent(s) Name			
Contact E-mail		Contact Phone#	

Financial Information

What type of lunch does student receive?	Full Price Reduced Free	How many siblings live at the same address?	
What amount can you pay towards the student's dues?		Do you need an alternate payment date or schedule? Please give date(s).	

Please explain the nature of your hardship. Use the back of the form if needed.

Volunteer Information

Have you volunteered to be a Committee Chair?	Yes No	If yes, which one?	
Did you volunteer with the band last year?	Yes No	If yes, where?	
Are there any ways that you can volunteer in lieu of payment of dues?	Yes No	If yes, how?	
Are there any other ways you can help the band in lieu of payment of dues?	Yes No	If yes, how?	
Would you be willing to sell an item to help earn some of the dues for your student?	Yes No		