FAIRFAX COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

W.T. Woodson High School Band
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2018-2019 W.T. Woodson High School Band Course Fees

FCPS and The W.T. Woodson Band Program will not charge students a fee for any mandatory aspect of the W.T. Woodson Band program except for musical instrument and course material fees which are permitted by the Virginia Department of Education regulations. Schools or Booster organizations cannot require a student to pay fees for course materials in excess of the amount approved by the FCPS School Board in Notice 5922.
The following is a description of the W.T. Woodson High School Band course material fees and FCPS-sponsored optional activity fees for participation in the music program for the upcoming season.

FCPS Course Fees	Amount	Who pays?	This pays for…
Band Course Materials Fee **Due September 30**	$25	EVERYONE	This fee covers consumable items/expenses for the bands/ensembles throughout the school year. Some examples of these items include uniform, uniform accessories/maintenance, instrument accessories, music, food for instructional trips, etc. Any remaining balance will be deposited into a reserve for purchase of new uniforms.
Marching Band Fee **Due May 18, 2018**	$125	Marching Band members only	This fee covers consumable items/expenses for the marching band season. Examples of these items include band t-shirt, drill book, music book, drum book, uniform, uniform accessories and maintenance, instrument accessories, music/copyright, food for instructional trips, etc. Remaining collected fees will be allocated to a uniform replacement fund. Any remaining balance will be deposited into a reserve for purchase of new uniforms.

Musical Instrument Rental Fee: This required fee only applies to students who play school-owned instruments and covers maintenance costs of those school-owned instruments. Students who are verified to be on free/reduced meal plans are to pay $20. All percussion students play on school instruments and therefore pay the fee.

Instrument Rental Fee	Amount	Due Date
Woodwinds and Brass	$92	9/1/18 or when Instrument is given
Percussion	$60	9/1/18 or when Instrument is given

FCPS Sponsored Activity Fees

This is a fee that students are expected to pay if they choose to participate in any activities/trips associated with the W.T. Woodson Band Program. This fee is determined and assessed based on the estimated cost of the trip/activity – including such costs as transportation, accommodation, registration, food, and other miscellaneous expenses. Examples include Marching Band Pre-Season, Indoor Guard, Percussion Ensemble and the Spring Band Trip. Students who do not pay the fees associated with a trip/activity will be ineligible to perform/participate in the trip/activity.

Activity	Amount	Due Date	This pays for….
Marching Band Pre-Season	$100	May 18, 2018	Instructors for Pre-Season training/rehearsals, food during Pre-Season, equipment/materials costs for Pre-Season, etc.
Indoor Guard (Dec – April)	TBD @$300.00	Beginning of December	Show design, equipment, clothing, etc.
Spring Trip (March or April)	TBD (@$550-$750)	Installments TBD	Transportation, lodging, meals, activities, music festival fees, etc.

Marching Band Accessories: Certain uniform accessory items have to be purchased separately by the students as needed. Examples of these items include marching shoes, socks, etc.

Concert Uniform Accessories: Certain uniform accessory items have to be purchased separately by the students as needed. The following items are provided: boys: tux pants, tux jacket, bow tie and cummerbund. Girls: concert dress. Students are responsible for purchasing and maintaining their white tux shirt (boys), and black dress shoes (boys and girls). Payment for these accessories will be due on the Uniform Fitting Day in August.

Optional Individual Performance Events: There are opportunities throughout the school year for individual students to choose to audition and/or participate in other bands. These auditions are optional for students. Examples include the All-District or All-State Band and the Solo and Ensemble Festival. Audition or participation fees are assessed for these opportunities by the sponsoring organization. The W.T. Woodson Band does not establish such fees, but the W.T. Woodson Band often assists in the collection of these fees from individuals who elect to participate and the submission of one group payment to the respective sponsoring organization. These fees are communicated at the time other information about these opportunities is communicated.

Payment Policies

Check (preferred method)

- Payments can be made out to **W.T. Woodson High School**. Please include the student's name and fee being paid in the memo line of the check.
- Payments made by check should be placed in the lockbox within the band room.
- All payments should be in an envelope with the student's name, amount, purpose and date.

Example: Jane Doe
$125
Marching Band Course Fee
5/18/2018

Cash

- Please put the money in a sealed envelope and write the first and last name of the student and the name of the fee being paid
- Hand the envelope directly to Mr. Morgan or Ms. Hill. If they are not available, the envelope should be given to someone in the main office to hold for Mr. Morgan.
  - All payments should be in an envelope with the student's name, amount, purpose and date.

Example: Jane Doe
$100
Marching Band Pre-Season Fee
5/18/2018

- **NO CASH PAYMENTS SHOULD BE DEPOSITED INTO THE LOCKBOX IN THE BAND ROOM.**

Refunds: Typically fees paid are non-refundable once commitments and purchases have been made. These refund policies will be communicated separately as they relate to individual activities.

Financial Assistance is available for those in need of such assistance. Requests for financial assistance should be made directly to the Band Director prior to the due date for the related fee. A W.T. Woodson Band Financial Assistance form can be found on the website: www.woodsonband.org