

West Edmond Musical Enrichment Association (WEMEA)

Parents supporting

Santa Fe High School Marching Band

<http://www.sfhsband.net>

Dear Band Parents;

We would like to welcome you to another year of the Santa Fe High School Band activities.

WEMEA is a 501©(3) non-profit organization primarily supported by Santa Fe Band parents. Funds raised by the organization go to directly support the band's activities. Our primary objective is to provide our students with the best possible band experience.

- **Meeting Mr. Lowery and WEMEA Business Meeting**
 - **Monday August 9th 6:00 P.M. – Football Bleachers Westside**
 - **Band Exhibition at 6:35 P.M.**
 - **Picnic After Band Exhibition**

Throughout the course of the year, the **Santa Fe Band performs** at numerous marching and concert contests both in and out of the state of Oklahoma. In order for the band to participate in these events, **your financial support is necessary**. To **minimize fundraising activities** for that support, band parents are requested to contribute an activity fee of **\$230 per band student** payable to WEMEA (*\$150 each additional student if you have more than one band student in a family*) to meet the costs. Just a few of the many items covered by this student activity fee are:

- Marching shoes
- Polo shirts and SF caps for incoming freshman and new students
- Color Guard accessories
- Meals and refreshments at all marching competition (snacks, lunch, dinner)
- Band Camp lunches, snacks, drinks
- Transportation for band equipment and students to each contest
- Training camps or clinicians for Drum majors, Drum line and Color Guard
- End of Year awards and gifts
- Maintenance of SFHS Band's semi-trailer
- Most items required for certain performances and activities are also provided by this fee
- Flags, costumes and props for all band marching contest

There are several methods to meet the Activity Fee contribution:

1. A check in the full amount paid during Band Camp (August 3rd thru 9th)
 - a. Full payments received by end of Band Camp will receive \$30 WEMEA merchandise voucher.
2. A check in the amount of \$120 paid during Band Camp with the balance due by September 30, 2010.
 - a. It is important to receive all the funds prior to the first Marching Contest.
3. Special fundraising activities for parents or students where payments are made to WEMEA. If you need to use this option, please contact a WEMEA Board Member.

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WEMEA Parent/Student Information Form is included with this letter. This information is necessary (**even for previous band members**) so that we have the current contact information for you. You will receive **news and information** regarding band activities via email, so please provide your email address on the form. **Please make sure you provide e-mail addresses that you actually check regularly.** The contact information will be published in the SFHS Band Directory, unless you opt out on the form. Things can change quickly during marching season, so e-mail works out to be one of the best ways to get news to you. **Please return the Parent/Student Information form with your student during Band Camp.** *You may also mail the information sheet (and/or activity fee) to WEMEA c/o Ed and Mindy Young 2733 Blue Quail Pass, Edmond, OK 73013.*

Keep us updated on your current e-mail address by subscribing to our yahoo group by sending an e-mail message to WEMEA-subscribe@yahoogroups.com.

One of the best ways to stay informed is to attend the regular **WEMEA business meetings** held in the band room on the **2nd Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m.** You can also check for updates on Band Activities at <http://www.sfhsband.net>.

IMPORTANT Information for BAND CAMP

Your family is invited to the Exhibition Picnic Aug. 9th. WEMEA will provide hamburgers and hotdogs. Each student needs to bring an item to complete the meal.

The items are:

Freshman girls ó **one large package of brownies or cookies (minimum 20 pieces)**

Freshman boys ó **one LARGE bag of chips**

Sophomore girls ó **12 cans of DIET soda (your favorite)**

Sophomore boys ó **12 cans of REGULAR soda (your favorite)**

Junior girls ó **12 cans of REGULAR soda (your favorite)**

Junior boys ó **32 individually wrapped slices of American cheese**

Senior girls ó **one large package of brownies or cookies (minimum 20 pieces)**

Senior boys ó **16 hamburger buns (2 packages)**

Please send all exhibition items with your child to practice before Friday, August 6th. If you are bringing homemade desserts (the kids love those!), you may bring those on Monday August 9th.

We look forward to working with you and your students throughout the upcoming school year.

Sincerely,

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