

Welcome Union Middle School Families to the Union Band for the 2022-2023 School year! The **Union Band Parents Club** is a group of dedicated parents that serve the Union Bands students and families for Grades 6-12. We partner with the amazing teaching staff to ensure our students receive the **best training and experience possible** for the 7 years they are in the Union Bands program. As parent volunteers, we are passionate about helping your family navigate the band world!



FEES & PAYMENTS

The annual Band Class fee provides your student with his/her instrument method book, band class 3-ring binder with plastic sheet protectors and pencil pouch, necessary sheet music, Union Band T-shirt for their grade which is a part of the required uniform, and special clinics throughout the school year. This fee is \$40.00 and is due by October 15th.

If your child is in a band that requires participation in NBDA, you will pay an additional \$12 by January 15th.

The 7th/8th Grade Bands each take a Spring class trip. Those costs can be found on the attached grade-level specific information.

FUNDRAISING

UBPC offers fundraising year-round to help students/families pay for their band fees. All fundraising opportunities can be found at www.UnionBands.com/Fundraising. Twice this year, students will have the opportunity to check out **World's Finest Chocolate** at school to sell as well. You receive **\$30 worth of profit** for every box you sell, and this profit can be applied to your band fees.

OUR INFORMATION SYSTEM: Charms

Union Bands uses a data management system called **CHARMS** to handle student accounts, contact info, instrument tracking, as well as a variety of other applications. Your student has a CHARMS account that they will keep for as long as they are in the Union Bands program. **Please take time today to log into CHARMS by visiting www.UnionBands.com/CHARMS** You will use your student's school ID# to log into your account the first time. The system will prompt you to set a new password. Once in CHARMS you can:

- 1) Check your **student account statement** under the "Finance" tab
- 2) Pay any balance due through your **Miscellaneous Ledger**
- 3) Update your student and family **contact information**
- 4) See any current "News"

You will see your students band fee and/or trip fee on your CHARMS financial statement under the "Fixed Payment" Ledger. The **Miscellaneous Ledger** is your primary account that will always show you the available balance in your account. When you make a payment, it will show up in the Miscellaneous Ledger. When this ledger reaches a balance large enough to cover the band fee, a transfer will happen to pay that bill in your fixed payment ledger; our treasury team will execute the transfer. Any funds remaining in your account at the end of the school year will roll to the next school year.

Got Questions? We have answers!

Questions about homework, concerts, classroom, music:

Band Director contact information can be found at www.UnionBands.com/staff

How to make a payment:

UnionBands.com/StudentAccounts

How to login to Charms:

UnionBands.com/Charms

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WEBSITE

The UnionBands.com website is your lifeline for all band information:

www.UnionBands.com/6th

www.UnionBands.com/7th

www.UnionBands.com/8t



Important 6th Grade Band Information



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Parent To Do Items:

- ASAP: Login to Charms and update student and parent contact information (www.UnionBands.com/charms)
- September 15, 2022: Paperwork Due (*find the link below or by visiting www.UnionBands.com/6th*)
- October 15, 2022: Pay your \$40.00 Band Fee (www.UnionBands.com/charms)

Important Band Registration Paperwork

These forms are due by September 15 and required as a part of your student's band grade. Scan the QR code here or visit www.UnionBands.com/6th for the link. Before you begin, please have the following items handy:

- Your student's Id #
- Emergency Contact phone numbers
- Medical Insurance Information, if applicable.



Important Dates

Winter Concert:
TBA

Spring Concert:
TBA