## **Announcement on Band Fees**

In the current COVID-19 environment we are all living in now, there are many unknowns as to what the future holds for the 2020-2021 school year and marching season. As we approach the end of school and the beginning of preparation for the marching band season, with this in mind, many of you have had questions.

The biggest questions we are currently hearing are: How will this affect fees for band? And, will fees be refunded if we are unable to have a marching season?

One thing we do know for sure is that the Mr. Ray has cancelled the Tennessee competition trip that was to take place in mid-September. **Because of this, marching fees will be <u>reduced</u> by \$150 to \$1950 for the season**.

As we get closer to the start of band camp, we will have a better idea on whether or not there will be a season or even a shortened season. If we do not have a season this year, a substantial portion of the fees will be refunded. Depending on when we know the answer will depend on the amount of refund that will be available. As of now, Mr. Ray has his team ready to go and some of them will need to start preparing for the season before we get to band camp. Some of the fees will be needed to pay for this contracted, preliminary work.

Mr. Ray, his staff and the Band Booster Board all are keeping an eye on this situation and will let everyone know when, or if, anything will change with regard to the 2020-2021 marching season and/or fee structure. For now, we all hope that all our band family is safe and well and that everything will work out for the best.

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