

## What Exactly is “Band Aids”?

Avon Lake High School Band Aids, Inc. was formed in 1964 to provide support to the high school instrumental music program, which includes our Concert, Symphonic, Marching, Pep, and Jazz Bands. It was organized exclusively for charitable and educational purposes, including:

- Financial and moral support to the instrumental music program
- Encourage attendance at instrumental music programs
- Promote interest of parents of instrumental music students
- To cooperate with and assist school officials to maintain quality of program

The Band Aids receive their income from four major sources: Membership and Patron Drive, Bandarama ticket sales, home football concession stand proceeds, and student fundraisers. These proceeds are used to provide instruments, uniforms, music, concert programs, and guest clinicians needed to present our annual concerts and half-time shows. Proceeds are also used to offset the costs of travel expenses for band trips such as last year’s Champs Sports Bowl trip and our annual Band Banquet every May.

The Band Aids organization is made up entirely of volunteers and the easiest way to make it a positive experience is for **everyone** to volunteer. **All** band students are expected to have a representative take at least one turn serving in the concession stand during a varsity (Friday night), junior varsity (Saturday morning), or freshman (Thursday afternoon) home football game. This can be a parent, grandparent, adult friend, or a responsible sibling.

Additionally, all band students are expected to participate in our annual fall fruit sale fundraiser. Each member will be asked to sell fruit individually and participate in our blitz weekend.

All band families are encouraged to get involved with at least one additional volunteering opportunity throughout the course of the school year. Help during the fall is needed with third quarter snacks, pit crew (hauling equipment), chaperoning, Bandarama, and concert uniform fittings. If the fall is not a good time for you, maybe you would like to pass out programs or sell tickets during the concert season, bake cookies for the holiday concert, help with student fundraisers, or assist with the Band Banquet, to name but a few volunteer opportunities.

Now that you know what Band Aids is, why not attend one of our monthly meetings held the third Wednesday of the month at 7:00 in the ALHS Band room? Support our band program by becoming an active member of the team!



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