



2016-17 Chantilly Band and Ensemble Fees

FCPS and the Chantilly Band will not charge students a fee for any mandatory aspect of the Chantilly Band program except for musical instrument and course material fees which are permitted by the Virginia Department of Education regulations. Schools cannot require a student to pay fees for course materials in excess of the amount approved by the FCPS School Board in Notice 5922.

| FCPS Required Fees | Amount | Who pays this fee? | This pays for... |
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| Band/Ensemble Course Materials Fee Due 10/21/16 | \$150 | EVERYONE | This fee covers <u>consumable</u> items/expenses for the bands/ensembles throughout the school year. Some examples of these items include uniform/uniform accessories/uniform maintenance, instrument accessories, instrumental services, music, food for instructional trips, etc. Remaining collected fees will be allocated to a uniform replacement fund. |
| Marching Band Fee Payment 1 - \$150 – Due 8/26/16 Payment 2 - \$150 – Due 9/23/16 | \$300 | Marching Band & Color Guard members only | This fee covers <u>consumable</u> items/expenses for the bands/ensembles throughout the school year. Some examples of these items include uniform/uniform accessories/uniform maintenance/uniform replacement, instrument accessories, instrumental services, music, food for instructional trips, etc. Remaining collected fees will be allocated to a uniform replacement fund. |

FCPS Sponsored Optional Activity Fee

This is a fee that students are expected to pay if they choose to participate in any activities/field trips associated with the Chantilly Band. 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 of trips/activities would include the Indoor Drumline, Indoor Color Guard, the Spring Band Trip and Marching Band Assessments not already fully funded by FCPS.

Students who do not pay the fees associated with a trip/activity will be ineligible to perform/participate in the trip/activity.

Concert Uniform Accessories: Certain uniform accessory items have to be purchased separately by the students as needed. While certain concert uniform components are included (jacket/vest, bow tie and cummerbund), students are responsible for purchasing and maintaining their shirt (including stud buttons), and black dress shoes.

Individual Performance Events: There are opportunities throughout the school year for individual students to choose to audition and/or participate in other bands. Examples include the All-District or All-State Band and the Solo and Ensemble Festival. Audition or participation fees are often assessed for these opportunities by the sponsoring organization. The Chantilly Band does not establish such fees, but the Chantilly 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 once this information is received.

Payment Policies

- **Check**
 - Payments should be made out to **Chantilly 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 (outside the Directors' office).
- **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 (ex. John Doe, Marching Band fee) and take the envelope to the front office of the school and it to the Chantilly High School staff responsible for collecting such cash payments. A receipt will be given to you acknowledging the cash payment. **NO CASH PAYMENTS SHOULD BE DEPOSITED INTO THE LOCKBOX IN THE BAND ROOM.**
- **Credit Card**
 - Payments can be made through Charms. After making your payment, please log back into Charms to confirm that your payment appears within your student's account

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

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.