



Welcome to the  
Newbury Park HS  
Instrumental Music  
Department



# **What do I get?**

Academic Benefits

Social Benefits

Musical Benefits



## **Instrumental Music Department Organization**

### Courses Offered:

Wind Ensemble - Honors

Concert Band

Jazz I

Jazz II



## Concert Band

- This is an entry level class for students that want to participate in the Band Program but need to develop stronger skill playing an instrument or reading music or do not want the more rigorous out of class demands.
- This class meets during 2<sup>nd</sup> period (8:30-10:10, even days)



## **Wind Ensemble/ Wind Ensemble (H)**

- The Wind Ensemble is an advanced level Concert Band with admission to the Honors section of the group only by audition.
- This group has many of performance demands throughout the year at school and local events as well as putting on concerts on campus (in the PAC), at local and regional festivals, and an annual Spring Tour.
- Meets during 6th period all year (12:45-2:25).



## Jazz Band

-There are two Jazz Bands at NPHS. Jazz I is for advanced players with stronger individual musicianship (sight reading, playing, improvisation). Jazz II is for younger players that are interested in developing their skills and learning more about the Jazz tradition.

-Jazz I meets during 0 period every day (7:15-8:20)

-Jazz II meets Tuesday -Thursday from 2:35-3:45pm starting in January

-Placement in Jazz I is by audition in August, the week before school starts.

-Both Jazz Bands perform at local festivals, school concerts, and other local community events as they come up.



What about the money?



**Why does the band need more money?**

**Don't my taxes already pay for the band program?**

Yes and no.....but mostly no.

What is provided by the state and school district covers the basic cost of offering the class without regard to any additional activities. Essentially, we get enough to teach just the class period and a modest amount from the district to help offset some of the costs of photocopies, purchasing some music, and additional staffing (music specialists that work with the kids).

As a music program, we are essentially on our own to provide for any other additional needs to enrich the students' music education, including purchasing additional instruments, taking trips to festivals and competitions, providing meals to the students while we are away, purchasing quality literature and music resources to augment the curriculum.



**So, then what does the band  
need to stay afloat?**



## Annual Financial Commitment

These donations are requested from every member of the Instrumental Music Department at the beginning of each year regardless of how many or what groups you are participating in.

**1. CVUSD Transportation Fee      \$124**

An annual fee collected by the school district from every student that participates in a sport or activity to cover the cost of transportation to competitions.

**2. Uniform Maintenance              \$100**

Collected to build and maintain a fund for the eventual replacement of marching band uniforms and concert apparel (tuxedos and dresses) provided to students on a loaner basis each year.

**3. IMD Annual Pledge                  \$200**

The IMD Annual Pledge is an annual donation requested of all band students that helps to fund on-going operational costs such as: instrument repair, purchasing music, providing additional coaching for the students with accomplished professional musicians as well as performances with special guest artists or teachers.

**Total Requested Donation: \$424**



## What does my \$200 annual donation cover?

### Program Overhead

Purchasing music for 4 Ensembles	\$3,500
Festival/Competition Entry Fees	\$2,000
Instrument/Equipment Maintenance	\$6,500
Coaches, Clinicians, Guest Artists	\$8,500
Instrument Purchase	\$5,000

**Total Program Expenses** **\$25,500**

**Number of Students in IMD** **50**

**Annual Contribution** **\$510.00**

The additional \$310/student is supported by the collective fundraising efforts of the Panther Band Parents



**How can parents help?**



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Share your talents, time, and ideas with  
the Panther Band Parents

What do the Panther Band Parents do?

-Fundraising

Organizing individual student fundraisers  
as well as major program fundraisers

-Logistical Support

Planning, Webpage Design/Maintenance,  
Publicity, Working the Pit Crew, Event  
Coordination, Organizing Uniforms, Sewing,  
Bookkeeping/Accounting, Chaperones,  
Building/Welding/Repairing Equipment...  
you name it!



Stay connected so you're  
always in the loop!

1. NPHS Band website ([www.nphsband.org](http://www.nphsband.org)).
2. NPHS Band Calendar (on the website)
3. Weekly email updates and announcements



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Is there anything else that I can do to help my child be successful in band at Newbury Park?

- Encourage them to practice at least 45 minutes every day.
- Have your child take some private lessons. This can be an amazing help!!
  - Ensure that they have good equipment that is well maintained.
  - Attend their performances and be a part of our family. You will never regret being a meaningful part of your child's most important years growing up.



## So what do I do now?

- Mark the Summer Dates on your calendar  
(on the band calendar)
- Complete the online registration by June 3rd  
[www.nphsband.org](http://www.nphsband.org)
- Get ready for Band Camp August 15th!!



Thank You For Coming Tonight

We Are Excited to Have You Join  
The Panther Band Family!