

Roswell High School Band Boosters Association Financial Assistance Policy

The Roswell High School Band program understands that families may come upon times of financial hardship. Although we would like to have every interested student be able to participate in extracurricular band activities, the reality is that these activities do require funds in order to operate, and these funds are not provided for by the school district. In order to strike a balance between enabling as many students as possible to participate and being able to meet the band's financial obligations, the following financial aid policies are in effect for the Roswell High School Band Boosters Association (RHSBBA).

1. **Free or Reduced Lunch Eligibility.** Any family on a free or reduced lunch program shall have their in school band operations fee waived for that school year. (This applies only to the in school band operations fee, not to any extracurricular band activities.) Notification of this status must be made in writing to the RHSBBA Treasurer and confirmed by Roswell High School.
2. **Payment Extension.** A one-week extension of a payment due date may be granted if the request is made – in writing and in advance – to the RHSBBA Treasurer. All paperwork required is still due on the original date, only the payment due date is extended.
3. **Delayed Payment Schedule.** Families may negotiate a delayed payment schedule if they are unable to meet the published payment due dates, subject to the following rules:
 - a. The delayed payment arrangement is subject to approval of the RHSBBA Executive Board;
 - b. The delayed payment arrangement must be documented in writing and signed by a legal adult family member and either the RHSBBA President or RHSBBA Treasurer;
 - c. The arrangement must be made in advance of the payment due date;
 - d. The family must participate in at least (1) fundraising opportunity that generates enrichment funds credit;
 - e. Students cannot sign up for additional extracurricular activity until their student account is in good standing (i.e. has no outstanding balance due.)
4. **Financial Assistance.** Financial assistance may be available at the discretion of the RHSBBA Executive Board. Availability of assistance depends on the current RHSBBA financial position. Families may request financial assistance from the RHSBBA Executive Board, subject to the following rules:
 - a. The decision by the RHSBBA Executive Board regarding whether (and how much) to extend assistance is final. There is no appeal process;
 - b. Requests for assistance must be submitted in writing to the RHSBBA Treasurer or RHSBBA President and must describe the financial hardship situation;
 - c. An assistance agreement shall be documented in writing and signed by a legal adult family member and either the RHSBBA President or RHSBBA Treasurer;
 - d. The family must participate in at least two (2) general fundraising opportunities that generate enrichment funds credit;
 - e. In order to be eligible to participate in any proposed band trip, the family must participate in any trip specific fundraising opportunity that generates funds for the band trip;
 - f. Financial assistance is only available to current Roswell High School students.

All information shared with the RHSBBA Executive Board is kept in the strictest of confidence.

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