



## Prosper Band Booster Club Band Fee Policy

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The Prosper Band Booster Club (PBBC) collects different types of fees from band students during Band Registration in August of each school year. Every member of the Prosper High School Band (including color guard) is required to pay General Band Fees in order to participate in the program.

### Band Fee Types

1. **General Band Fees** include a multitude of expenses, including clinician fees, competition fees, uniform maintenance, meals and drinks, marching show t-shirts, cinch sacks, etc.
2. **Variable fees** include optional and/or required uniform items, like marching shoes, gloves, shorts, shirts, color guard uniforms, and other items. These are charged at the individual level. For example, students do not need to buy shoes every year if they are still available from prior year and in good condition.
3. **Equipment usage fees** are charged to those students who are using PISD-owned musical instruments. This covers routine maintenance of the instrument.
4. **Mid-Year Fees:** Any student joining the band program in January, or later, will be charged a general fee of \$75, and will receive a show shirt, based on availability. Equipment usage fee, if applicable, will be prorated.

### Fee Payment Policy

Band fees are expected to be paid in full at Band Registration in August. If band fees cannot be paid in full at that time, specific arrangements – including an agreed upon payment plan – must be made with the PBBC Treasurer. However, a minimum of \$75 must be paid at registration in order to remain in good standing.

If the payment plan is not fulfilled and fees are not received by December 1 of the current school year, the PHS band student will not be eligible to participate in the following:

- Spring fling party
- Spring band trip (*any pre-paid trip deposits will be applied to the balance due toward general fees until it is paid in full*)
- Year-end band banquet
- Senior scholarship consideration
- Band/color guard the following school year



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If fees are subsequently paid after December 1, the student will be allowed to participate in future band events that occur after payment has been received and cleared the bank.

Any exceptions to this policy must be submitted in writing to and approved by the Prosper Band Booster Club Executive Board.

### **Fee Refund Policy**

If a student decides to quit band after the school year has started, many of the fees are not refundable since most items are ordered and used very early in the marching season.

#### **Refund Schedule:**

- **Fixed Fees:**
  - Before September 15 – 75% of fees will be refunded
  - September 16 – October 1 – 50% of fees will be refunded
  - After October 1 – no refunds
- **Variable Fees:**
  - Once items have been ordered, delivered and used by the student – no refund
- **Personalized items** – no refund
- **Equipment Usage Fees:**
  - Before January 1 – fees will be prorated, based on months used and condition of instrument
  - After January 1 – no refunds

Any questions not covered by this document should be directed to the Prosper Band Booster Club President.