

Dear Rosemont Community Friends and Business Owners,

As a member of the Rosemont High School Music Boosters, I would like to personally invite you to become a sponsor of our non-profit organization to support the activities of the Rosemont High School Music Program.

Statistics show that students involved in school music programs are more likely to attend college and become our most productive citizens! The Rosemont High School Music Department is building the most comprehensive music program in the Sacramento area, which includes diverse classes and activities like String Orchestra, Concert Bands, AP Music Theory, Piano, Guitar, Marching Band and Color Guard, Winter Percussion and Winter Guard.

Because by law the school is not allowed to charge parents and students a fee to participate, virtually every expense must be covered by donations and fund-raising. Parents and students often generously donate time and dollars, but program needs are considerable. For example, recently Boosters raised money to purchase a class set of guitars. Before, students had to supply their own instrument or could not enroll in the guitar class. Now that class is open to all of this urban school's students, not just those with the means to buy a guitar.

The funds raised are used for equipment, travel expenses, event entry fees, and other music-related activities not afforded by the school district. A bus for just a one day competition costs close to one thousand dollars! A vibraphone that costs \$4000 is one of the large percussion instruments we need for the winter percussion season, so we are borrowing the necessary funds in order to purchase it now. Our growing color guard constantly runs out of equipment for the full group. Our marching uniforms in use now were purchased used and are older, wool uniforms that require dry-cleaning. We plan to purchase a newer machine washable style as soon as possible, substantially reducing our annual maintenance costs. Our goal is to raise \$25,000 for that purpose.

Every donation, regardless of size, will help! We are especially looking to purchase 50 ponchos, garment bags, shoe and hat boxes which will protect marching band and color guard gear. At the recent Tournament of Champions in Fairfield, our uniforms were drenched because we did not have adequate ponchos. The students performed extremely well despite the downpour, but the uniforms took a beating!

Please consider donating generously to this worthy cause! As a sponsor, in addition to the benefit of a tax deduction, we will make every effort to recognize you and your company in our music programs, letters and signage throughout the year. Donations can be made by sending checks to the address below or via PayPal (which accepts credit cards) on the program's Web site: <http://www.rhsmusic.net/>

Thank you!

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Rosemont High School Music Boosters  
*Keeping the Music Alive*

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