



TRABUCO HILLS HIGH SCHOOL INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC PROGRAM



PROGRAM COSTS & ENSEMBLE CONTRIBUTIONS 2025-2026

OVERVIEW

The Saddleback Valley Unified School District (SVUSD) is very proud of the extensive co-curricular programs offered at our comprehensive high schools. Through state funding, the school district provides financial support for these programs to cover direct costs, some stipends for the coaches and advisors for each of the programs, general facilities upkeep and maintenance, transportation of students to and from events, small amounts for equipment repairs, etc. However, costs often exceed the limited state allocated funds, thus necessitating the booster club support and requests for contributions from participants.

Participation in the Trabuco Hills High School (THHS) Instrumental Music Boosters Organization is strictly voluntary. No student will be denied the opportunity to participate in a SVUSD co-curricular activity, because of a parent or guardian's inability to participate in fundraising activities, failure to devote time or resources to the booster club, or inability to purchase uniforms, accessories and equipment. Parents or students who do not participate will not be publicly identified.

Highlights of some of the Major Activity Costs (Unfunded):

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| 1. Marching Unit Trip – London Parade, London, England
<i>7-days, 6-night trip in Winter 2025-2026</i> | Cost \$4100-\$4300 |
| 2. Winter Guard (tentative) – WGI Regional, Location TBD*
<i>3-days, 2-nights trip in Spring 2026</i> | Cost TBD* |

ENSEMBLE CONTRIBUTIONS:

After reviewing all funding and proposed spending in 2025-2026, the Instrumental Music program finds the need to reach out to all music program participants for contributions to help supplement the unfunded costs. The contribution amounts are adjusted to ensemble size, planned 2025-2026 activities for all ensembles and, in general, year-over-year cost increases. Below is a quick summary of the proposed contributions costs. See Exhibit A for additional cost details for each ensemble.

2025 - 2026 ENSEMBLE CONTRIBUTIONS

Marching Band (Fall Semester)	\$800	Concert Band (Full Year)	\$400 ^{A B}
Color Guard (Fall Semester)	\$800 ^A	Winter Guard (Spring Semester)	\$700 ^A
Orchestra (Full Year)	\$500 ^{A B}	Winter Drumline (Spring Semester)	\$700 ^A
Jazz Ensemble (Full Year)	\$450 ^A		

^A Does not include uniform/concert attire costs for the semester/year

^B Students who have paid contributions for Marching Band, Color Guard, Winter Guard, or Winter Drumline are exempt from paying Orchestra, and Concert Band contributions.

The music program may find it necessary to scale back the program activities if additional funds to augment the program are not raised. We do not want to be in the position to have to scale back any of the programs we find beneficial and educational to the students, so we strongly encourage all parents to contribute to our program's viability and success. These contributions provide opportunities that are not offered at other schools and give our students memories of a lifetime. The contributions may be tax deductible, consult with your tax advisor.

Parent participation and volunteering is highly encouraged. Throughout the school year, parents and students may be asked to participate in various fundraising activities, such as with the Bingo fundraiser, to help provide financial support to the music program.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact us at any time!

Sincerely,

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EXHIBIT A

ENSEMBLE COSTS & PARENT CONTRIBUTIONS 2025-2026

Ensemble	Total Parent Contribution WITHOUT Fundraisers	Total Parent Contribution WITH Fundraisers	Savings	%
MARCHING UNIT ENSEMBLE COST				

Marching Band Member

Marching Band (Fall Semester)	\$ 1,400.00	\$ 800.00	\$ 600.00	38%
Marching Shoes & Gloves ^A	50.00	50.00	-	0%
Annual Total per Member	\$ 1,450.00	\$ 850.00	\$ 600.00	41%

Guard Member Year-Round Cost

Color Guard (Fall Semester)	\$ 1,400.00	\$ 800.00	\$ 600.00	38%
Fall Uniform ^A	175.00	175.00	-	0%
Winter Guard (Spring Semester)	1,500.00	700.00	800.00	50%
Winter Uniform ^A	175.00	175.00	-	0%
Annual Total per Member	\$ 3,250.00	\$ 1,850.00	\$ 1,400.00	43%

Drumline Member Year-Round Cost

Marching Band (Fall Semester)	\$ 1,400.00	\$ 800.00	\$ 600.00	38%
Marching Shoes & Gloves ^A	50.00	50.00	-	0%
Winter Drumline (Spring Semester)	1,500.00	700.00	800.00	50%
Winter Uniform ^A	175.00	175.00	-	0%
Annual Total per Member	\$ 3,125.00	\$ 1,725.00	\$ 1,400.00	44%

Ensemble	Total Parent Contribution WITHOUT Fundraisers	Total Parent Contribution WITH Fundraisers	Savings	%
CONCERT ENSEMBLE FEE				

Intermediate and Chamber Strings	\$ 900.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 400.00	44%
Concert Band	\$ 800.00	\$ 400.00	\$ 400.00	50%
Jazz Ensemble	\$ 900.00	\$ 450.00	\$ 450.00	50%

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^A Estimated costs