

McFarland Music Boosters Notes

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First Edition

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Greetings!

Welcome to the first edition of the McFarland Music Boosters newsletter. We will publish a fall, winter, and spring edition of the newsletter and intend it to be a source of information about Music Boosters activities and McFarland's excellent music program.

The purpose of the McFarland Music Boosters is to assist and enrich the K-12 music program of the McFarland School District by supporting the musical endeavors of students and teachers within those programs. Last year McFarland Music Boosters funded the district Solo & Ensemble participation fee, senior field trip, the 5th, 6th, 7th grade field trip to the Madison Symphony, the 5th grade field trip to the Overture's

Link Up Program, and we provided some funds to String Fling and Band Senior night.

In future issues, we look forward to highlighting some of the accomplishments of McFarland music students. If you have a suggestion, please email it to us at Mcfarlandmusicboosters@gmail.com with "Newsletter" in the subject heading. Also, please stop by and say hello at one of our booths at various musical events this year or go to our website to learn more about us. <https://mcfarlandmusicboosters.weebly.com/>

Sincerely,
McFarland Music Boosters

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Link Up Program Field Trip. The students sang, played recorders, and listened attentively to the Madison Symphony Orchestra perform.

Fun Facts!

Have you ever wondered just how many students in our district participate in band, choir, and orchestra? Here is the breakdown for this school year:

# Of Students	Music Group
248	IMMS Band
124	High School Band
140	IMMS Choir
80	High School Choir
52	5 th Grade Orchestra
72	6 th , 7 th , 8 th Grade Orchestra
43	High School Orchestra

This is a grand total of 759 participants in our music programs. Wow!

It's FRUIT & KRINGLE & COFFEE time!

Great gift idea or a ready-made brunch supporting local business and the music program. Both the coffee and kringle are Wisconsin businesses.

It's easy – go to <https://mcfarlandmusicboosters.weebly.com/fruit-and-kringle.html> and make your selection. Pick-up day is Dec 11. Don't wait! Orders can only be placed Nov 1–Nov 22.



Student Account FAQs:

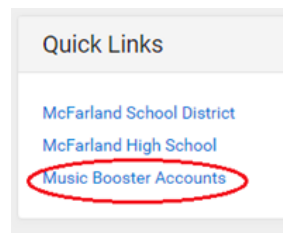
What are Student Music Accounts?

McFarland Music Boosters administers Student Music Accounts for McFarland music students who have participated in specific fundraisers such as Butterbraid, Magazine Sales, Cherrydale and Scrip. The money raised by students through these fundraisers is tracked for each student by the

Music Boosters and can be used to pay for music-related activities or expenses. The money in a student's account cannot be redeemed for cash and will forfeit to the McFarland Music Boosters' general fund in the event a student graduates or moves from the district with a balance in their fund.

How can I check if my student has money in their student account?

There is a link in Infinite Campus. Click on "More" and then look for Quick Links. Not all students have participated in fundraisers that fund student accounts.



How do I request money from a student account?

You can find the form on the bottom of the webpage at <https://mcfarlandmusicboosters.weebly.com/student-accounts.html>. Requests are reviewed for accuracy. Please use the money in your student account. It can be used for music field trip expenses, for the

high school music trip opportunities, for instrument rental or music supplies, marching band polo shirts or Solo & Ensemble accompanist fees. Money that is not used after your child has graduated is rolled over into the Music Boosters' general fund.

Be
part
of it!

Join us!

Have ideas about new fundraisers? Have a talent you could offer or some time to volunteer? Want to help our music program? **Music Boosters meets the 1st Monday of each month in the high school library.** Plus, we have committees that facilitate various

fundraising events throughout the year.

Please consider joining the efforts of the McFarland Music Boosters to assist students with their music activities!

Meet Spencer

The McFarland music department is delighted to welcome Spencer Koscik to our orchestra team this year. Spencer serves as Waubesa Orchestra Assistant Instructor, supporting our 50-plus beginning strings students with Orchestra Director Leanna Hershey.

Spencer is a highly accomplished cellist and hornist. Spencer is a graduate of UW-Madison, where he began his studies double majoring in cello and horn before focusing on

horn performance. After completing his degree at UW, Spencer began graduate studies in horn performance at the University of Colorado, Boulder. Spencer has also performed at the annual Aspen Music Festival since 2018.

In his free time Spencer is an avid outdoors person, enjoying camping, canoeing, fishing, and cross-country skiing. Spencer and his dad are multi-year winners of the annual Syttende Mai canoe race.



*Spencer Koscik, WIS
Orchestra Assistant
Instructor*

Earn Money for Your Student Account - it's Easy with Scrip

The McFarland Music Boosters invites you to start earning money for your student's music account. The great thing about Scrip is that you can get money for things you were already going to purchase anyway...gas, groceries, dinner, etc. It's easily accessible via your phone, and people can even buy on site while shopping at a store.

How it works:

1. Buy gift cards from 750+ brands at face value. The gift cards can be in the form of physical cards, reloadable, or ScripNow eCards.
2. Your student and the boosters earn money from the rebate indicated on site.
3. Use gift cards for shopping, services, restaurants, or gift giving.

How to get started:

1. Complete the enrollment form at www.shopwithscrip.com. Use enrollment code 3FL3ELB857848.
2. Verify your account.
3. Securely pay with a credit card at checkout or link a bank account before you shop.

If you are ordering physical cards, pick up will be available at the high school.

Have questions? Contact the McFarland Music Boosters scrip committee at mcfarlandmusicscripcoordinator@gmail.com.

Please note: Student Music Account funds must be used for music-related expenses.

SAVE THE DATE!

McFarland High School is hosting district high school **Solo & Ensemble** this year on Saturday, **March 14, 2020.**

We will need lots of help in the form of volunteers and food donations.





Got great photos?

Boosters is looking for photos to use on our website or in the newsletter. If you have photos from the 2019/2020 school year that you are willing to share with the public, please email them to mcfarlandmusicboosters@gmail.com

2019-2020 Music Booster Meetings

7:00 p.m. in
MHS Library

December 2
January 6
February 3
March 2
April 6
May 4

Contact Music Boosters

mcfarlandmusicboosters@gmail.com

<https://mcfarlandmusicboosters.weebly.com/>

Upcoming Events

November 2019

- 11/5 IMMS Band Concert, 7:00 p.m. in the PAC
- 11/13 IMMS Solo Ensemble, 4:00-8:00 p.m. at IMMS
- 11/14-11/16 MHS Fall Musical, Mamma Mia! in the PAC
- 11/18 MHS Orchestra Concert, 7:30 p.m. in the PAC
- 11/21 IMMS Choir Concert, 7:00 p.m. in the PAC

December 2019

- 12/4 MHS Bands, 7:30 p.m. in the PAC
- 12/9 MHS Choirs, 7:30 p.m. in the PAC
- 12/11 IMMS Orchestra Concert, 7:00 p.m. in the PAC

January 2020

- 1/23-1/25 IMMS Drama Performance of Disney Frozen Jr.



Get your tickets for Mamma Mia and be a part of history as you enjoy the first musical in our new PAC!

<https://mcfarlandpac.vbotickets.com/events>

