



Mauldin High School Greenville County Schools

Sugar Bowl Trip – Financial Goals

- January 31 – All previous marching season dues are paid in full. Payments for the 2010 season will not apply until all 2009 dues are covered.
- February 28 – Letter of Intent and \$150 deposit due from everybody. – Only fundraised money earned prior to February 28 will apply toward this deposit. The rest must be paid out-of-pocket. Refunds of this deposit will only be given to students who attend a different school. Students who simply decide not to march will not receive a refund for this deposit. Likewise, everyone who turns in the Letter of Intent to march agrees that the deposit will be charged to that student's account. Only students who turn in the Letter of Intent to march will be allowed to march.
- March 31 – Payment of \$150 due if going on trip.
- April 30 – Payment of \$150 due for everybody in marching band.
- May 31 – Payment of \$150 due for students on trip. Final decision on participation in marching band must be made by this date. Students attending a different school must notify Mr. Scheuch by this date as well. This payment and the final payment will be charged to everyone's account unless notice is given in writing of intent to drop marching band.
- June 30 – Payment of \$150 due for students on trip.
- July 31 – Payment of \$165 due for everybody. This is at the end of the first week of band camp. Any student that drops at this point will cause an extreme problem for the band both financially as well as rehearsal. Students and parents should have made a commitment one way or the other by now. No Fair Share refunds will occur at this point. Also, only fundraised money earned from March 1-July 31 will apply towards the payments during these months. The balance must be paid out-of-pocket.
- August 31 – Payment of \$150 due for students on trip.
- September 30 – Payment of \$150 due for students on trip.
- October 31 – Final payment due for students on trip...expected \$85.00. Only money fundraised between August and October 31 will apply towards the payments during these months. The balance must be paid out-of-pocket.

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- The expected Fair Share cost will be \$465.00
- The expected Sugar Bowl trip cost is \$835.00 for a total of \$1300.00. This is the target amount. I will do everything in my power to keep the cost as low as possible and provide the best possible experience for the students. It might increase a little depending on the ability to work in activities and meals.
- Bowl Games of America charges \$615.00 for each person in a Quad room; \$695.00 for each person in a Triple room; \$850 for each person in a Double room; and \$1320 for each person in a Single room. The number of students and chaperones attending will GREATLY affect the average cost for each person. Remember the bus cost is fixed no matter how many empty seats are on it. We still must include activities, bus driver hotel, tractor-trailer costs, and any possible meals that we can.
- Bowl Games of America has a strict refund policy. From the \$835.00 allotted for the trip, the entire amount will be available for refund until July 31. Beginning August 1, \$150.00 will be non-refundable. Beginning November 1, \$400.00 will be non-refundable. Beginning December 15, the entire cost will be non-refundable. At no time, will anyone be given fundraised money as a refund. That will violate federal tax laws.
- It is my sincere hope that we can utilize this opportunity to sponsor a New Orleans music program in need. Research is presently being done to choose a program and the needs that can be met.
- Trip costs include hotel, transportation, field show contest, Sugar Bowl game ticket, halftime performance at Sugar Bowl, Gala awards dinner and dance, Souvenir DVD, liability insurance.
- Optional activities include French Quarter, Aquarium of the Americas, Natchez Paddle Boat, and other ideas that I will research.
- Chaperone cost is the same as the students. No fundraised money may be applied toward chaperones. That is a violation of federal law.
- The ideal situation is for local businesses to become involved in financially sponsoring this trip, people donating musical instruments and/or music for the adopted school, local instrument repairmen donating their abilities, as well as the school offering education from all fronts an educational link to New Orleans and the devastation of Hurricane Katrina.

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