

Fundraising Philosophy.

Every band program in Colorado struggles to generate the necessary funds to keep their program afloat. Most neighboring schools use a “mandatory fundraising” approach to support their band program. While on the surface they may charge significantly less to participate in their band programs, they require every family to fundraise considerable amounts of money to support the program. These commitments come in the form of an obligation to work shifts selling concessions at sports stadiums or simply pledging “I will raise \$500 during the year”.

Ponderosa Band has adopted a fundraising philosophy that allows families to decide for themselves just how much they care to fundraise. Many families fundraise extensively throughout the year, others prefer to simply pay the fees and not fundraise at all, lastly some families take advantage of our financial assistance program by demonstrating they need help covering band fees. We won't allow a student to not participate due to financial concerns. If Band Participation Fees present a financial hardship to your family, please complete a confidential Request For Student Scholarship form at the beginning of the season that your student is participating in, and mail it to PHS Band Boosters, P.O. Box 2152, Parker, CO 80134-2152. A limited number of scholarships are available to help pay Participation Fees.

Parents and Students sign Commitment Letters for each season indicating that they understand the fees and time commitments required.

