



BRANHAM HIGH SCHOOL

ROYAL ALLIANCE BAND & COLOR GUARD

2017-18 Music Boosters Volunteer Form

The Music Boosters rely on our amazing corps of dedicated parent/family volunteers to support the students, directors and to help ensure a fantastic season. Thank you for all your support!

The Band and Color Guard programs rely on family volunteers. Our program costs are kept lower through the countless time given by our family volunteers. Support the students and instructors, and have fun working alongside other families, too! Each student's family is asked to provide some volunteer service during the year; we encourage at least 15-20 hours, but share the amount of time you're able. Many opportunities are in the fall, with others continuing throughout the spring. Whether the time you can share is a little or a lot, your support is always welcome!

The great thing about volunteering with the Boosters is that there are jobs available for any time schedule. Some positions allow you to come to the competitions and practices and be very involved with the students, while others can be done behind-the-scenes or after-hours. You'll find it's easy once you jump in! Try several positions -- you never know what's going to be a match for you.

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

E-mail: _____ Preferred Phone: _____

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*Check the areas where each parent/guardian would like to help. Details for positions are attached. A team leader volunteer will follow-up to discuss your interests and availability. **Thank you!***

Team Leads/Area Coordinators

- Each of the areas below needs one or more team leads. Learn from veteran volunteers, exercise your skills and talents to inspire small teams of parents for program success *

Field Show Operations (Pit Pops & Moms)

- Transportation - tow equipment trailers to competitions and performances *
- Wednesday Night Practice - set up/take down equipment/props
- Super Saturday Build Crew – construct, set up/take down equipment/props
- Competition Crew - loading/unloading equipment, set up/take down props, field assistance

Food Crew/Hospitality

- Food shopping and preparation (weekday afternoons)
- Donation of baked goods and beverages (water/soft drinks)
- Food set-up, service, and cleanup at events and performances (Saturdays & Evenings)

Student/Travel Support*

- Chaperone - at Branham events (Practice, football games, etc.)
- Chaperone - at travel events (Ride bus to competition, off-site activities)

Uniforms (Tailor Team – No Sewing Skills Needed)

- Inventory, organize, fit and distribute uniforms, accessories, supplies
- Uniform washing, alterations, hemming or mending (at home)
- Assist at competitions (Saturdays)
- Assist with Color Guard prop or flag creation

Fundraising

- Coordinate one student fundraiser (e.g. Candy Apples, See's Candy)
- Help plan and coordinate one event (e.g. Casino Night, Car Show, Jazz Cafe)
- Research and apply for grants
- Assist with Great Lakes Scrip sales/Online Fundraising projects (iGive, Amazon)
- Seek donations for silent auctions and memorabilia sales at booster events
- Coordinate production/sales of Branham Royal Alliance logo items and memorabilia
- Help plan/run concession stands at concerts and graduation

Videography/Photography/Communications/Audio

- Videotape competitions, performances, or other band events
- Photograph competitions, performances, or other band events
- Edit/reproduce photos, video or other media for use by Music Dept., Branham, or Boosters

Do you have special skills/talents/ideas to share?

- Please describe below

** May require advance training or district office clearance*

Volunteering: What does it all mean? Here's some more detail to help you decide which jobs may be a match for you. Still have questions? Contact any Booster Board member or come chat at rehearsal.

Field Show Operations

- **Transportation:** Includes loading/unloading and moving field show equipment to competitions and performances. Usually Saturday afternoon/evening; one Friday. Drivers must be cleared by school in advance.
- **Tuesday/Wednesday Night Practice:** set-up/take down equipment and props on Tuesday/Wednesday night practices. As needed between 5:00pm - 9:00pm on Tuesdays/Wednesdays August – November.
- **Super Saturday Build Crew:** set-up/take down equipment and props on Saturday practices. 9:00am - 3:00pm (times may vary) Most Saturdays August - November. Help build small and large scale props used in the field show. Workdays will be scheduled on Saturday mornings early in the season, before competitions begin and continue through the end of the season.
- **Competition Crew:** loading/unloading equipment, set-up/take down field props, general field assistance (cool T-shirts!). Times vary on competition Saturdays, generally 3:00pm - 10:00pm (watch the show from field level; no ticket fee. Dinner provided).
- **Sound Reinforcement Assistance:** help with sound equipment operations at Saturday day and Wednesday night practices, as well as at competition Saturdays (one Friday exhibition).

Food Crew/Hospitality

The students, instructors and pit volunteers need to eat! Help plan, prepare and serve a hot meal at select rehearsals, all competitions and other special events all year long.

- **Shopping and food preparation:** team and individual shopping/cooking opportunities 2-3 days prior to events. Daytime or evening options. Please indicate if you have extra refrigerator space for storage (not required to help, but needed).
- **Baking & Beverages:** make baked goods or bring water/soft drinks for service at events. On your own schedule as needed for events; you deliver to event site or drop-off to food crew before departure from Branham.
- **Food service:** Set-up, serve, and clean-up meal or concessions service at competitions and events. Times vary; generally same as competition/concert schedule. Mostly Saturday afternoon/evenings. Cool aprons! Meal provided at marching competitions.

Uniforms (Tailor Team): No Sewing Skills Needed!

- **Inventory/organize uniforms** before and after competitions and performances. Fit and distribute uniforms and accessories. Mostly Saturday day time/evening on competition days/one Friday; times vary. Give one hour or many!
- **Uniform washing, alterations, ironing, hemming, mending.** As needed throughout season. Many tasks may be done at home during the week on your own schedule or as part of a group during evening and weekend rehearsals.
- **I don't sew!!** Help at competitions to get the students in and out of uniform. No sewing skills needed. Mostly Saturday day/evening on competition days/one Friday; times vary.
- **Color Guard Flag/Prop creation (Fall & Winter).**

Student/Travel Support

- **Chaperones** support the instructors and students with general assistance including water, snacks, first aid and related tasks at competitions, football games, Super Saturdays and other events. This can be done as an individual or a team. Great way to get to know the students and instructors, other parents, watch our fantastic football team (and read a book or check your email when nothing too exciting is happening).
- **Chaperone at Branham practices/events.** Generally Saturday daytime, Wednesday and Friday evenings. Every day/evening during Band Camp.

- Chaperone at travel events/competitions. Mostly Saturday afternoons/evenings; one Friday morning.

Fundraising

- Coordinate/co-coordinate one student fundraiser (See's candy, caramel apples, etc.). Plan and manage one of the annual student fundraising opportunities. Great opportunity for those with limited time to attend practices or daytime events, and those that like to really get involved.
- Help coordinate one event: Like to lead? Here's an opportunity to dig deeper and help head-up or co-lead one of the many events. A veteran volunteer will mentor you so you are confident in making these important events a success!
- Grants: Help research and apply for community grants and matching funds. Every bit helps! Great opportunity for those with limited daytime availability.
- Coordinate Great Lakes Scrip or Online Fundraising projects: Lead or assist with one of these silent (but fantastic) fundraisers. Great job to do from home or in the evenings.
- Coordinate silent auctions/memorabilia sales at events. Seek community donations and create decorative prize baskets. A great opportunity to do from home on your own time.
- Coordinate production/sales of Royal Alliance logo items and shirts. No design skills needed, but if you have them, let us know, too!
- Concession sales and coordination at concerts and Branham graduation. Be the welcoming face representing the Royal Alliance at these school events (and have some fun!).

Videography/Photography/Communications/Audio

- Got some photo/video skills? Help record practices and competitions, as well as concerts and other events. Based on event schedule, usually weekday evenings and Saturdays.
- Like to work from home on projects? Help edit/print photos and prepare other media for use by the music department, school and boosters. Schedule on your own time, based on posted family event dates.
- Audio production for field shows. Approximately 6 hours for creating audio samples for the show, early in the season.