

Dear Middle School Band Parent,

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Fall is here, and it is time to start our Middle School Band fundraiser. We know that you have all seen quite a few fundraisers recently. However, this one is a little different, because students will be selling something that most people buy on a regular basis anyway. This year, we are proud to continue the tradition of providing Fresh Country Meat to our local area. We will also be offering items from Fresh Country's new fruit catalog. Fresh Country has always provided us with a great product that our community has come to look forward to every year. All profits from the fundraiser will be used to take the students on their annual band trip and contest.

Your child should bring home two separate brochures, one with fruit and one with meat. The forms are fairly self-explanatory, but because of past experiences we need to stress a couple of points. First, make sure to start a new row for every customer. Second, and most importantly, **items ordered must be paid for in advance**. All checks should be made to Crandall Band. We have plenty of extra order forms in case you run out of room.

We want to give all students plenty of time to sell this product, so we ask that all order forms and money be turned in by **November 9th and 10th** (students should turn in their forms and money on the day that they have their regular band class).

This sale is marketed for the Christmas season. All items will be ready to distribute before we break for Christmas. Therefore, it is important that all forms and money be turned in on time, to insure the prompt delivery of the product. Fresh Country will be delivering product between November 30th and December 11th. They will be giving us a more exact time after the orders are received. We will be able to send another letter home when we receive that information.

The profit from each item sold by a student will count towards that student's trip costs. Students will be responsible for meeting the complete cost of their trip (trip are in the spring and summer months). If the profit from their sales covers the entire cost of the trip, then no other payments will be necessary. If the profit does not cover the entire cost, then cash payments can be made in the spring to cover the remaining balance. Our goal is that each student sells 12 items or more. We feel confident that meeting those expectations will allow us to provide a great contest experience for all of our students.

Thank you for your continued support,

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