

To All Music Families,

My child joined band/choir...will there be a lot of fundraising? Yes, it may seem like you are always being asked to fundraise. Please bear with us as we attempt to explain how fundraising for the Mokena Music Boosters works and how to use IBA accounts to *benefit your child*.

The Mokena Bands and Choir are supported by the Mokena Music Boosters. The funds raised by the boosters benefit the students and help maintain a great music program.

General Fundraising

The Music Boosters fundraise in a few ways. The two biggest are Dippin Dots and Fall Pie Sale. Fall Pie sale is the **only fundraiser that all band members** are expected to participate. During this fundraiser students sell Bakers Square pie gift cards. Minimum sales goals will be set and prizes awarded by the boosters.

Dippin Dots are sold at each of the district schools. All students have the opportunity to order Dippin Dots at the start of the school year. Then three times throughout the year, students receive the treats during lunch. To run smoothly, several volunteers are needed at each "Dippin Dot Day".

Additional funds are generated by booster dues, concessions, dine and earns as well as general donations. The Dine and Earns are a fun and profitable opportunity for the boosters. Throughout the year the boosters partner with a variety of local restaurants who donate a portion of your bill. These have become fun nights and the kids love running into their friends at dinner.

IBAs or Individual Bank Accounts

Here is where you will see a lot of fundraisers; however, they benefit your student directly! IBAs are automatically set up for each band/choir member. Each time you participate in an IBA fundraiser the funds are deposited directly into the individual account. These funds are available for any band or choir expense including trips!

The music boosters will present many opportunities to fundraise for your IBA. These are completely optional and are presented as a way to help ensure everyone who wants to participate in band has the chance.

IBA Fundraisers for the 2018/2019 school year are still in the works. However, look out for Dollars for Dogs in August, wreaths sale in October and flowers in the spring.

This is only intended as an overview and more details will follow. *In the meantime, please feel free to ask questions or offer suggestions.* Our goal is to offer a variety of fundraisers to make this a successful, lucrative and fun year!

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