

Thank you to everyone who was able to attend the AGM on the 21<sup>st</sup>.

There was a lot of information presented and we wanted to summarize some of the key points.

**Registration Form:**

We have attached the 2021/2022 registration form and would appreciate that this be completed and forwarded to Mrs. Waterbury, to Tammy (Chair of CHSBPA) at [chsbpa.chair@gmail.com](mailto:chsbpa.chair@gmail.com) or the email on the registration form [chsbpa1@gmail.com](mailto:chsbpa1@gmail.com) by October 4th. Please note that the CHSBPA annual fee needs to be paid ASAP.

The payment can be made via:

- Cash, given in an envelope to Mrs. Waterbury – with your child’s name on the envelope please
- Cheque payable to CHSBPA (this can be given to Mrs. Waterbury),
- e-transfer ([chsbpa1@gmail.com](mailto:chsbpa1@gmail.com)), or
- Through your student’s fundraising account by sending an email to [chsbpa1@gmail.com](mailto:chsbpa1@gmail.com).

**Uniforms:**

By now all students should have been sized in preparation of ordering uniforms. If your child has not been measured, please have them see Mrs. Waterbury ASAP as we will be putting in the order next week. You can also send your child’s measurements to Mrs. Waterbury. We need their shoulders, chest, neck, and waist in inches. Please note that **the uniform must be paid for prior to the student receiving it.** Pricing for a full uniform is \$85. If you only need a part of the uniform, the prices are \$30 for the shirt, \$45 for the vest and \$10 for the tie. When your child was measured, they were asked whether they needed a full uniform or partial and these were recorded. If anything has changed, please let us know ASAP. Payments can be made in conjunction with the annual fee or separate using the same payment methods mentioned above. If you are having troubles financially with this, there are a limited number of consignment uniforms which can be purchased at a significantly discounted price or by fundraising through the grocery cards program. Please contact Mrs. Waterbury if you are interested in a consignment uniform and she will be able to let you know what we currently have in stock.

**Fundraising:**

If you are interested in fundraising, the grocery cards are currently available for purchase. As discussed in the meeting, the cards you purchase are at their face value ie: When you purchase a \$50 grocery card, you receive a \$50 card. The CHSBPA receives a discount (between 5% and 9% depending on the grocery store) when we purchase the cards in bulk. The percentage we save by purchasing in bulk, is then put directly into your students fundraising account.

You can contact Kathy at [chsbpa.grocerycards@gmail.com](mailto:chsbpa.grocerycards@gmail.com) to indicate the amount and to which grocery store you want. She will contact you to arrange payment and to set up a time to meet and give you your cards.

Additional fundraising events will be announced after our October 6<sup>th</sup> meeting when we have a fundraising director in place.

**Board Members:**

We had some people sign up at the meeting to help with fundraising and/or become a board member and we thank you very much. We are still in need of more volunteers!! If you are interested in being part of the board and to continue the success in supporting your child, you can email Tammy at [chsbpa.chair@gmail.com](mailto:chsbpa.chair@gmail.com) or attend our meeting which will be on October 6<sup>th</sup> at 1:45 in the conference room at the school. During the meeting, we will discuss all of the positions and fill the various positions available. As discussed at the AGM, there are a number of positions currently vacant. If you cannot commit to the monthly meetings and want to help out with various fundraisers during the year, please let Tammy know as well. This would include sorting orders, helping to sell at the bake sale, etc.

**Clarification of current funds and annual fee:**

There were a couple questions after the meeting about the funds currently in our general account and why the annual fee. There is currently \$70,000 in the general account at this time. Just over \$27,000 of these funds belong to the student's fundraising accounts. Of the remaining \$43,000, we use \$20,000 to \$40,000 for our grocery card float depending on the month and popularity. As a result, we are left with very little "free" cash to pay our association overhead costs and emergency expenses that arise.

That is why we charge the mandatory annual fee of \$40/child (please note that it does not matter how many parts of the program they are in ie: band, choir, jazz band, etc.). There is only one fee collected per child per year. The fee is used to cover costs such as GST, insurance, office supplies and bank fees. This fee is separate from your child's school course fees.

If you have additional questions regarding the above, please do not hesitate to contact us at [chsbpa1@gmail.com](mailto:chsbpa1@gmail.com).