



McCleskey Middle School Music Department

January 24, 2020

Dear McCleskey Music Department Parents and Students:

Starting today, we are kicking off our candle fundraiser, but with a completely different goal from our fall fundraiser—student concert uniforms. The best thing about our fundraiser is that EACH STUDENT'S PROFITS WILL BE USED FOR THAT STUDENT'S UNIFORM THAT HE OR SHE WILL OWN! We are selling locally-made scented candles that are almost identical to any candle you would buy in your favorite specialty shop. You will find that the wide selection of candles will make this an easy fundraiser.

The uniform next year will consist of tuxedo pants, black formal shirt, black tie, and suspenders for boys and a formal black dress for girls. We would like for all students to help with the fundraiser. Sixth graders will need the uniforms for seventh grade performing groups. Seventh graders will wear the same uniform in eighth grade; fundraising money may be used to pay a balance still due on this year's uniform or the money may be used to cover student costs for the upcoming Symphonic Band Camp. Eighth graders may use profits from the fundraiser to pay for outstanding balances for uniform purchase, the fee for the Symphonic Band Camp, or for the upcoming Dollywood field trip. Any additional profits will go into the general band, orchestra, or chorus accounts to help with music purchases, student incentives, and other general band, orchestra, or chorus expenses.

The fundraiser will run from January 24 through February 10. All order forms will be due on Monday, February 10. We anticipate the product being delivered the week of February 24. We will notify families when the exact delivery date is set. *All monies must be collected when orders are taken. No orders will be accepted without advanced payment.*

McCleskey has a policy for collecting fundraiser money. ***Each student's parents are asked to turn in cash or only one check/money order for the total order amount.*** Parents who choose to turn in large amounts of cash are asked to bring it to the school personally rather than send it by their student. *All cash and checks are to be turned in to one of the money collection boxes in our school in a Cobb County money collection envelope. Please make sure your child writes their full name, homeroom teacher, "BAND CANDLE FUNDRAISER" (or "ORCHESTRA" or "CHORUS") and total amount enclosed on the front of the money envelope.*

Thank you for supporting the McCleskey Band Program in many ways.

Mr. Miller

Mr. Paller

Ms. Murrell

Mr. Kampman

Uniforms for 2020–2021

GIRLS

**Formal Black Dress (Oratorio design--\$65.27)

Black dress shoes (heels shorter than 2" or you may wear flats) (you will obtain your own)

Black stockings (you will obtain your own)

BOYS

**Black tuxedo pants (\$26.75)

**Black formal button-up shirt (\$17.12)

**Black suspenders (\$12.84) or you may obtain your own

**Black tie (\$10.07)

Black dress shoes (you will obtain your own)

Black socks (you will obtain your own)

White undershirt (you will obtain your own)

The prices are approximate and may change before we order sometime during the first semester of the 2020-2021 school year. We will order from Southeastern Performance Apparel (<http://www.sepapparel.com>)

Items marked with ** will be purchased from Southeastern Performance Apparel. When fundraising, students should set their goals toward this total.

In order to pay for the uniform in full, students will need approximately \$70.00 profit (about \$175 in total candle sales)

Note to 7th/8th graders: If you participate in the uniform fundraiser, your profit will be applied in this order:

- 1. Pay off balance of this year's uniform*
- 2. Pay toward your Dollywood field trip if you have a balance (8th grade only)*
- 3. Pay any outstanding Symphonic Band Camp fees (7th and 8th grade)*
- 4. Help with general group expenditures such as sectional teachers*