

## **CLHS Falcon Band Chaperone FAQ**

### **I've never chaperoned before, what do I need to know?**

Nothing! We'll provide instructions and be available to answer your questions. Just register as a CCISD volunteer and respond to the weekly call for volunteers in the Band App or Band Buzz when you're able to help.

### **What do we do?**

Our main task is to keep the students safe and ensure they have the required equipment for each event. We help the kids get onto the buses, refill water jugs, assist with pit percussion and props at halftime, cheer for the band (that part makes it all worthwhile), and help get the band back home safely. We take care of the logistics so the band directors and students can concentrate on their show.

### **Do I have to go to every game/event?**

Absolutely not! We know everyone has busy schedules and many parents work full time. It's a big operation and it takes a lot of people to be successful, but we understand that you have a life outside of band. You'll be able to indicate your availability for each game or event.

### **What do I need to bring?**

Bring your enthusiasm, patience, flexibility, positive attitude, and comfortable shoes. We request that chaperones wear parent band shirts (available for purchase each August) so students can easily recognize you, but if you don't have one, just wear navy or red. And definitely don't forget comfortable shoes! Games and competitions are all outdoors, so also prepare for the heat. Some parents also bring a stadium chair for comfort in the stands. Event locations have a "clear bag policy."

### **What about playoff games?**

If the football team makes the playoffs, we'll need chaperones for those games as well.

### **I would love to chaperone, but I'd prefer not to ride on my student's bus. Can you accommodate?**

Yes — we get that request every year and try to accommodate whenever possible.

### **What kind of buses do we use?**

We use air-conditioned school buses for transportation to most events. Charter buses are typically used for spring trips.

### **How early do I need to be at school to chaperone a game?**

It depends on kickoff time and how far we have to travel, but we usually meet in the main lobby of the school around 4:45 p.m. After a quick chaperone tag-up to go over details, we head to the buses around 5:00 p.m., before students are released to start loading.

### **What if I don't want to ride the bus or cannot make it to the school?**

No worries. Some parents come drive themselves and simply meet us at the game.

**Why would I want to do this?**

Your student will remember your involvement long after graduation — and we genuinely need the help! The Falcon Band is successful every year because of parents like you. Chaperoning is also a great way to stay involved in your student's busy life, meet their friends, and get to know other parents. Plus, you can avoid the hassle of driving and parking and receive **free admission** to events.

**Still have questions?**

Send us an email — we're happy to talk through any concerns.

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