

# Frequently Asked Questions



**OUR HEWITT STADIUM CONCESSION STANDS PROVIDE 90% OF THE OPERATING REVENUE FOR OUR BAND PROGRAMS. WITHOUT ENOUGH VOLUNTEERS TO STAFF THESE STANDS, WE SIMPLY CANNOT OPERATE OUR BAND PROGRAMS.**

Q: What are “concessions” and can anyone work for me?

A: The Hewitt Bands operate the 3 concession stands at the Hewitt Stadium. Concessions are food and drink. We open for all home football games – high school, 9<sup>th</sup>/JV, middle school and certain track events during track season.

Q: Where do I park when working concessions?

A: In the gravel lot directly behind the civic center. You do NOT have to pay to park. Tell the parking attendant that you are working in the concession stand.

Q: Where do I go when I arrive at Husky Stadium to work concessions?

A: Please come to the Main Gate and tell the ticket attendant that you are working concessions. You don't have to pay for a ticket to the game. Come to stand one (the stand to the right of the main gate) and sign in. Someone will be able to tell you where you are needed.

Q: I have a child in the high school band. How many concession events am I required to work?

A: A minimum of 3 concession events per child + the Trussville Marching Invitational on October 7.

Q: Why is working Hewitt stadium concessions required?

A: Your child is a part of the band program, which is a fully self-funded program. The Band receives no financial support from the school. The Band Foundation, also a non-profit organization, fully operates the concession stands, meaning, we purchase all of the inventory that we sell and that we need to operate the concession stands. Without these concession stands, we absolutely CANNOT operate our band program.

- Q: Do you allow the band students to volunteer in the concession stands?
- A: Absolutely! The only requirement is that they must be in at least the 8th grade. We do not allow our students to run the stands and we make sure that there is enough adult supervision while the students are volunteering their time. Track season is a great opportunity for marching band students to volunteer.
- Q: I can't find a babysitter. Can my child hang out in the concession stand with me while I volunteer?
- A: For safety and security reasons, we cannot allow children in the concession stands. If your child is in at least the 8th grade and part of the band, he/she can volunteer with you.
- Q: Can you sign up for a 1 hour or 2 hour shift instead of all hours listed? It's just hard to work full-time and get off work to be in the concession stand before 6 pm.
- A: Of course any amount of time is helpful and we want everyone to have an opportunity to volunteer. Just please make sure if you arrive late, that you stay later to help us clean up because we desperately need help after the game is over. When you sign in and out, please note the time of arrival and departure.
- Q: If we have to show up late, will that affect how we are considered to chaperone the band trip in the spring or will there be Saturday options to fulfill the required work days? I find it difficult to take off to work the concession stands.
- A: As stated above, we will try our best to work with your schedule. Please just let us know any time constraints you may have. There is no "rule" in place at this time that prohibits you from chaperoning the spring trip if you aren't able to arrive early. The band director and the band foundation president are willing to work through these issues with you.
- Q: I am physically unable to stand for any period of time. How can I help in the concession stands?
- A: If there is someone else in your family willing to work on your behalf, they are welcome to do so. We do not allow people that aren't directly affiliated with a band student (next door neighbor, best friend, child of a neighbor, etc.) in the concession stands. If you don't have someone that is able to help you, please let us know and the band director and foundation president will do their best to come up with a solution.
- Q: How do I get "credit" for working Hewitt Stadium concessions?
- A: You MUST SIGN-IN AND OUT on one of the available iPads noting arrival and departure time, or if no iPad is available, we will provide a paper sign-in sheet.

Q: Are auxiliary and highsteppers part of the “band” and required to work concessions?

A: They are absolutely a part of the band! So, the answer is yes! 😊

Q: What are the different areas that I might be assigned to work in the Hewitt Stadium concession stands?

A: We try to put people where they feel most comfortable. But generally you are assigned to a station: register/sales, drinks, nachos, runner, food prep, cook/grill, popcorn, pretzels. We also need people to stay and clean up at the end of the night.

Q: What fundraisers can I participate in that could benefit my individual student’s account?

A: These vary from year to year, and are at the discretion of the band directors. The Band Foundation does not decide what events nor does it manage the monies that are earned from them. In the past, the Rockathon, smoked meat sales, Coke product sales, mattress fundraiser and outside concessions (Oak Mountain), and separate fundraisers such as the sheet sales for the auxiliaries, have qualified for these credits. **THESE CREDITS ARE MAINTAINED BY THE SCHOOL AND DO NOT CARRY OVER FROM YEAR TO YEAR.** All funds earned are the property of the Band and any funds not used at the end of the school year will be absorbed into the general band account.

Q: What other volunteer opportunities are there for me to be a part of?

A: Band Camp Lunches

Marching Band Uniforms

Rockathon

Miss Hewitt Husky Pageant

Concession Stand Managers

Chaperoning Away Games and Marching Competitions

Band Banquet

TMI Marching Competition

**WE ARE ALWAYS IN NEED OF PEOPLE TO FILL LEADERSHIP ROLES!** Currently, our Foundation board of directors is comprised of 9 board members. From those board members, we elect President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer. We are always looking for great leadership and as these positions become open you will hear about them on our Facebook page and at our monthly Band Foundation meetings.