



Unionville Music Parents Association  
740 Unionville Road  
Kennett Square, PA 19348

Dear Parents:

Welcome to a new school year and to the Unionville Music Parents Association (UMPA).

UMPA is comprised of parents of students in Orchestra, Choral ensembles, Instrumental ensembles, Marching Band, Indoor Percussion and Indoor Color Guard. The organization's goals are to enhance and enrich the experiences of UHS music students and to support the educational and musical goals of the UHS music department.

### **What We Do**

- *Support High School Music events: concerts, competitions, musical and PMEA districts and regionals*
  - *Provide funding for directors to purchase equipment and/or provide extra enrichment*
  - *Host the end of year banquet, including personalized awards for every music student*
  - *Fund Tri-M Music Honor Society membership and graduation cords*
  - *Provide refreshments for students at auditions, concerts and special performances*
  - *Purchase personalized music folders for graduating seniors.*
- AND MUCH MORE!**

### **How UMPA is Funded**

***UMPA annual required dues are \$35 per music student.*** UMPA is a member funded organization and all parents of UHS music students are members. We have found that most parents prefer paying dues rather than participating in multiple fundraisers!

### **How You Can Help**

- Pay your dues by October 31.
- Provide refreshments for concerts and events.
- VOLUNTEER – we need help working backstage, ushering at concerts, promoting events, supporting the musical

### **How To Pay**

Go to the UMPA webpage at the link below. Scroll down to JOIN NOW! and complete steps 1 and 2. *Incoming freshman and new families will receive an UMPA Music Department Car Magnet with your dues payment. Please contact us via UMPA email if you would like one.*

<https://www.ucfsd.org/performing-arts-boosters/umpa>

Please add [UMPA@ucfsd.net](mailto:UMPA@ucfsd.net) to your contacts to avoid emails being flagged as spam. If you have questions, please feel free to contact us.

Jennifer McDonald, President, UMPA

## **2023-2024 UMPA Board and Committee Chairs**

### **Board Members**

#### *Officers*

President: Jennifer McDonald

Vice President: Erin Smith

Secretary: Judy Greeley

Treasurer: Brian Dye

#### *Ensemble Representatives*

Band Rep: Amy Costello

Orchestra Rep: OPEN

Choir Rep: Mary and Steve Thomas

#### *Music Directors*

Director of Choirs / Department Chair: Jason Throne

Director of Bands: Eddie Otto

Director of Orchestra and Tri M: Leo Zumpetta

### **Committee Chairs**

Musical: Joanna Breger + OPEN position

Jazz Along the Brandywine: Sue Reno + OPEN position

Senior Folders and Senior Corsages: Mary Thomas

Scrip/Raise Right Student Accounts: Sue Reno

Refreshments: Stacey Cotrotsios

Music Awards Banquet: Leslie Neuberger + OPEN position

Videography: Chris Shigley for instrumental concerts, OPEN for choral concerts and for musical

Photography: OPEN

#### *Indoor Music Directors*

Director of Indoor Drumline: Cody Stafford

Director of Indoor Color Guard: Olivia Kleintz and John Marrero

\* UMPA is a 501(c)(3) organization, and your dues are tax-deductible. We have a *Helping Hands* fund for those who need assistance paying dues. Contact UMPA or see your director. UMPA facilitates individual fundraising for families that may be used to pay any music fee: dues, musical, marching band, banquet, trips, regionals, etc. Families may raise money through Raise Right or by selling advertisements for the Winter and Spring concert programs. Funds are kept in individual student accounts.