

FUNDRAISING AND STUDENT POINTS FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Why should my child do fundraising? TMA provides fundraising opportunities for students so that they can help offset the associated costs to their families for music department activities. Every two years, students go on a trip outside of Nashua that requires hotel, meals and transportation costs and is usually the biggest such expense. Students can use points to pay for all or a portion of these costs.

What is a point? One point is equivalent to \$1 raised.

Who has the points? The TMA Treasurer keeps all money in TMA accounts.

What can points be used for? Points can be redeemed for the Music Department field trips, All-State and other competition fees, spiritwear, senior activity fees (usually transportation costs), band camp fees or any other department activity that families typically pay for.

Who knows what my child's point balance is? The Student Point Coordinator (info@titansmusic.org) keeps an accurate count of your child's fundraising points, including withdrawals. In addition, the Music Directors can view all student fundraising point balances.

How does my child redeem points for purchases/activity costs? Typically, two-to three weeks after a fundraiser closes, students have access to those points if all payments are made on time for their fundraising order. Your child will bring home a "TMA Points Redemption Form" which requires a parent and student signature. Your child simply places this request in an envelope marked "TMA Point Redemption Request" and deposits this in the TMA box in the Directors' office. If there are any questions about the request, you will be called. The form should indicate how many points are being requested for what purpose (attached is a copy).

<u>Point payments may not be retroactively applied to previous purchases or activities. Point redemption requests must be made at least one week before the activity payment deadline.</u>

What if I don't remember how many points my child has? Simply contact the Student Point Coordinator at (info@titansmusic.org) with your child's name.

What happens to points after my child graduates? Points left over in an account can be transferred to a younger sibling's account (if sibling is presently in the music program, or will be joining within two years) or will be returned to TMA's general fund upon your child's graduation. TMA's general fund pays for the senior activity, music student scholarships, equipment needs and other music department activities. You must request point transfers to a sibling account in writing.

Can I get the cash? No, that would be illegal. IRS regulations prevent personal benefit from fundraising performed as a non-profit organization (which is what TMA is). Points must be redeemed for costs of music department activities and to ensure this, must be paid directly to the organizations charging or running the activity. Points (or dollars) cannot be paid to individuals.



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