ROCK-A-THON 2019



Since its beginnings, the Dawson Eagle Band and Catalyst Color Guard has consistently been ranked among the best of the best, with several trips to the Texas UIL State Marching Contests and top 5 placement at the Winter Guard International Competition. We are already working on this year's show, practicing many hours in May and August camps, and are on our way to making this year another spectacular one. We need to generate funds to make our "Unveiled" show the best yet!

An excellent band program comes at a cost. Even though each band and guard member contributes over \$500 to the program, the costs of esteemed clinicians, show designers, marching

equipment, uniforms, props, and travel add up. To help offset sizeable portion of the cost, the members of the band and color guard will be participating in our annual ROCK-A-Thon Fundraiser (Lock-in) which will be held on August 9th. Each student is required to bring in a minimum of \$125 in pledges/donations from family, friends, neighbors, etc. to get locked in to dance, play games, have fun with their bandmate,



and maybe even participate in a midnight outdoor rehearsal! These pledges can also be made on our website store at www.dawsoneagleband.com for a specific student. If you have any people who wish to donate online in your student's name please make sure they write in the name of the student in blank provided. This is really the biggest fundraiser for our band for the year. We NEED YOUR PARTICIPATION (whether able to attend or not)!

On a side note, in past years there was credit given back to students that raised over the minimum pledge commitment. We are not allowed to do this on an individual level any longer. We are instead going to offer big prizes (iTunes, Amazon, Gift cards) to the TOP 5 STUDENTS THAT BRING IN OVER \$125 IN PLEDGES, by Rock-a-thon night. The top winner gets to be "King or Queen" for the day on one of the rehearsal days this summer and all the perks of that in addition to an ITUNES or Amazon GC. All donations and pledges are tax deductible for any person or group wishing to donate.

Please consider supporting your band or color guard student with a tax-deductible pledge/donation in any amount. Checks are accepted and can be made out to the "Dawson High School Band Boosters." Pledges are due 8/8/2019.

ROCK-A-THON DETAILS

Theme:

Disney vs. Nickelodeon vs. Cartoon Network!!! The section leaders for each group will help organize how your group will display this theme. A prize will be awarded to the group with the most spirit and showmanship.

Color Guard: Disney Characters **Winds:** Nickelodeon Characters

Percussion: Cartoon Network Characters

Time: Doors open at 8:00 pm at Dawson. Students that drive ARE NOT ALLOWED TO DRIVE THEMSELVES HOME. We want to ensure safely for each student, and feel like a sleepy driver is a safety issue. ALL STUDENTS WILL BE REQUIRED TO BE PICKED UP AT FRONT ENTRANCE AT 6:00 AM SHARP ON SATURDAY MORNING AUGUST 10TH AT FRONT ENTRANCE.

***There is one option to go home early at 2:00 am for any student who wishes to be picked up and signed out by an adult. THE EARLY RELEASE FORM MUST BE SIGNED AND SUBMITTED BY AUGUST 8TH VIA EMAIL TO Jana.mellen@dawsoneagleband.com. No exceptions will be made. This form must be printed, signed, and emailed prior to Aug. 9th. NO FORMS FOR EARLY RELEASE WILL BE ACCEPTED THE DAY OF THE EVENT.

Food: Dinner and breakfast provided.

Attire: Come with clothes you can move in and please wear shoes.

What to bring:

<u>Freshmen:</u> 1 case (24 each) bottled water. Sophomores: 1 12pk soda of your choice

<u>Juniors and Seniors</u>: 1 multi-bag or individually packed snacks (ex. Cheezits, chips, pretzels, cookies, etc. PLEASE DO NOT BRING A LARGE BAG OF CHIPS. We want to make cleanup easy, so individual sized snacks are best.

PLEASE HAVE YOUR ITEMS AT DAWSON (IN BOOSTER STORAGE ROOM IN BAND HALL) NO LATER THAN THURSDAY AUGUST 8TH. WE NEED TIME TO ORGANIZE THINGS AND ICE DOWN DRINKS, ETC.