



Your GHS Athletic Booster Club **NEEDS HELP**



Attention all Booster Club Members and Parents of Student Athletes - The GHS Athletic Booster Club needs your help! We are in dire need of volunteers for major Board and Committee positions within the organization. Currently, these positions are either already vacant or staffed by parents of **SENIORS** that will not be returning next year. The needs are as follows:

- Concessions Chair
 - Needed for the 2018-2019 School Year
 - Can be two families
 - Ideally start shadowing current Chair this year to learn responsibilities
- Corn Roast Committee Chair
 - Needed for the August 2018 Corn Roast
 - Work needs to start in earnest in May 2018
 - Previous Committee Chair is willing to help in the summer and day of event as needed
 - Several other Corn Roast sub-committee spots available including Kitchen Leader, Silent Auction, and Entertainment
- Raffle Coordinator – currently vacant and already negatively impacting next year's budget, needed for 2018-2019 School year
- President Elect for 2018-2019 School Year
- Secretary for 2018-2019 School Year
- Spending & Funding Committee Chair for the 2018-2019 School Year
- Publicity Chair for the 2018-2019 School Year
- Scholarship Committee Chair for the 2018-2019 School Year
- Treasurer for the 2019-2020 School Year. Again, ideally, someone that would be able to shadow during the 2018-2019 School Year to learn the duties

For those of you that are not aware or are new to GHS, the GHS Athletic Booster Club's mission is to support **ALL** athletics at the High School level. To that end, we raise money (as detailed above) through the Corn Roast, Concession Stands, Raffles, and other means, that goes into our annual operating budget. **Generally speaking, we have between \$25,000 and \$35,000 to donate to all sports every school year.**

Without these positions being filled, the potential consequences include:

- **No Corn Roast in 2018**
 - The Corn Roast is the biggest source of funding for the **NEXT** School Year
 - In existence and ongoing since approximately 1960
- **No Concessions at GHS Athletic Events**
 - Concessions are the second largest source of funding
 - Convenient for GHS parents and students. You'll miss them if they're gone
 - Allows visiting parents to pay for some of your son or daughters athletic costs
- **Limited or no funding of Athletic Program needs for the 2018-2019 School Year and beyond**
- **Limited or no scholarships for student athletes in the 2019-2020 school year and beyond**
- **Increased direct costs to you for your son or daughter to participate in a sport**
 - The \$50 per sport, maximum \$100 per family, per year, charged by the School will become significantly larger
 - Increased fundraising required at the individual sport level
 - Or, eventually, the entire cost shifted to parents directly
- **Complete disbanding of the Booster Club and all that is supports**

In the last few years, we have purchased the following:

- Wall pad for the gym
- Scorer's table in the gym
- Basketballs for both the boys & girls teams; ball cart for girls; practice jerseys for boys
- Shooting machine for boys & girls basketball
- Warm-ups for Volleyball & Track
- Heavy jackets for Soccer
- Bags for Gymnastics
- New mats for Wrestling
- Scoreboard and lane markers for Swim & Dive
- Vault padding and hurdles for Track
- Shoulder pads, helmets, practice jerseys, play-call wristbands, and game balls for football
- Clam shell, sound system, speakers, infield drag screens, and pitcher mound tarps for Baseball
- Court resurfacing for girls & boys Tennis
- Ice time for hockey
- Clinics for Cheer
- Studio time (safe practice space) and new competition poms for Dance
- Subscription to Huddle to be used by all sports that need or want to use it
- Shared iPad to film various practices and/or scouting, etc.
- Portable tent to be used at various athletic events

In addition to the budget for athletic equipment and supplies, the Booster Club awards \$10,000 in total scholarships to qualified student athletes each year. Each senior class has 11 recipients consisting of ten (10) winners of \$850 and one winner of \$1,500. This amount **FAR EXCEEDS** any other Booster Club program in the North Shore Conference.

As repeatedly implied throughout this letter, we are in desperate need of your talents and volunteer spirit. Without them, there cannot be a “changing of the guard” and the majority, if not all, of the support that has historically been given **WILL NO LONGER BE POSSIBLE. Many of these positions can be done at your own convenience, based on your schedule!**

The time is here. The time is now.

Contact President-Elect **Casey Didier** at caseydidier@gmail.com, or Membership Committee Chair **Chris Tsui** at ctsui10@sbcglobal.net to hear how you can help do great things for GHS' athletes.

Join us at one of our monthly meetings at 7pm in room A7

Monday, March 12, 2018

Monday, April 9, 2018

Monday, May 7, 2018

Monday, June 4, 2018

We look forward to hearing from you!

Sincerely,

The GHS Athletic Booster Club