

TAG DAY INFORMATION

What is Tag Day? Tag Day is THE major band, chorus and orchestra fundraiser for the year. On Tag Day, all band, color guard, chorus and orchestra students canvass as many homes as possible within the South County High School neighborhoods in an effort to raise tax-deductible donations in support of the South County Music programs. Tag Day is an officially sanctioned, approved fundraiser that takes place throughout Fairfax County and the Commonwealth of Virginia.

When is it held? Tag Day will be held on **Saturday, September 15, 2018**. It lasts from 8:30 a.m. to around 4:00 p.m., or when all of the routes are completed.

Who participates? Participation in Tag Day is expected of all band, chorus, orchestra, and color guard students. It also takes many parent volunteers (one driver for every four students and other volunteers on morning and after lunch shifts) so please consider helping. No experience necessary!

Where is it held? All South County High School neighborhoods.

How is it organized? Each student signs up to be part of a group of four. Each group is under the constant supervision of a driver. Together, the students and driver will choose a route and students go in pairs to solicit donations from the residents on that route.

A schedule with a little more detail ...

- 8:00 AM Check-In begins in Chorus Room.
(Coffee in the Orchestra Room for drivers!)
- 8:30 AM Students and drivers meet in the Band Room to form their groups and choose a route (Drivers have an information sheet to complete; students have a 'check in/check out form' to complete)
- 9:00 AM Groups start their routes
- 12:00 PM Groups return to school for lunch – when they check in and turn in all money collected. Enjoy a pizza lunch– DRIVERS TOO!
- 1:00 PM Students check out for the afternoon shift. If they have formed new groups, drivers will be asked to complete a new information sheet. Collect new or unfinished routes as needed to continue.
- 4:00 PM Complete last routes, return, check in, turn in all money collected. Check out.

What Students need to know ...

- All students should sign up in teams of four. Those who do not sign up **will be assigned to a four student team.**
- Be sure to **eat a good breakfast** before arriving at school. Bring a refillable water container.
- Be sure to wear comfortable shoes and clothing. You are encouraged to wear your show shirts or another South County shirt.
- Please be respectful of the drivers and the vehicles you are riding in. Lunch should be finished and trash thrown away before returning to a vehicle.

What Parents/Drivers need to know ...

Safety comes first. All students and drivers will receive some verbal instructions. Students always work in pairs and are **never** allowed to enter a home. Students are always under the supervision of their parent/driver. If either the students or the drivers do not feel comfortable soliciting at a particular house, they are instructed to skip it.

Tag Day is truly a team effort, and it would not be possible without the help of numerous parents. How can you help? Please consider volunteering for one of the positions listed below:

Lunch helpers: Lunch helpers meet to serve a pizza lunch for the students and parents/volunteers. This includes set up and clean up.

Drivers: Drivers are responsible for ensuring the safety of the students and transporting their assigned team between the school and the streets to be solicited. You will be asked to provide the make, model and color of your vehicle, as well as your license plate information. All of this will be returned to you or shredded upon completion of Tag Day.

***Because this is a school-sponsored event,
younger siblings are not permitted to attend Tag Day!***

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