

SHEPARD ATHLETIC BOOSTERS

The Shepard Athletic Boosters is a parent run group that supports the entire Shepard Athletic Program. We have jobs, families and responsibilities but it is what we do than who we are, that makes this team so great. It's vital to have strong parent support and involvement which is essential to helping every sport, not just the ones you as a parent are invested in. Our main goal is to provide teams with whatever they may need without the additional team fundraising or added costs to parents. Everything we do benefits your son or daughter -- your time is money

- * **Assets.** A quick and easy way for any parent to help raise money is working concessions - whether it's at school or Toyota Park. Since 2014, we have worked concessions for Chicago Fire, Open Air Concert and additional events at Toyota Park. **Shepard Athletic Boosters make a 14% profit from their earnings and keep 100% of the tips.** The 2017, 3-day Open Air Concert in July, we made over \$18,000, that same concert in 2016 made \$22,000. It's amazing the kind of money we can raise for just a few hours of volunteer time.
- * **Benefits.** You can also support the athletics by purchasing an athletic booster activity pass for \$25.00. If your family plans to attend football games, boys basketball games, sophomore girls volleyball tournament, the frosh/soph boys and girls basketball tournament or wrestling, then you definitely want to purchase this pass as it will save you hundreds of dollars. It is also good for any of the end of season South Suburban Conference meets that we host. **It is NOT good for away events, IHSA events (even those at Shepard) or activity events such as the play or musical.** Activity Passes are sold at upcoming parent nights or at one the first few home football games.
- * **Support.** In order for teams to be able to request financial assistance, a team must have at least 1 representative and attend the quarterly or special meetings, which are held the 2nd Wednesday of that month at 6:30pm in the MPR room. Without more parent support as mentioned previously, the financial burden will fall to the parents. **Parent participation is tracked and is a key factor when coaches request financial assistance.**

Visit us at www.chsd218.org under Shepard – Athletics or Parents/Community tab or contact an Athletic Booster Board Member below.

MAKE YOUR TIME WORTH IT

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IMPORTANT FACTS:

OPTION 1 – YES I WILL VOLUNTEER

- A \$50.00 athletic participation obligation will be added to your student(s) account. Below are the criteria that needs to be meet in order for the \$50.00 to be removed from your account. This participation obligation is **one-time-per family-per school year**. **Seniors are billed March and volunteer obligations must be meet prior to attending any events.**

Participation Obligations (\$50) - You must work:

- ✓ 1 Shepard Home Concession Game and
 - ✓ 1 Toyota Park Concession Game**
- **see other options below

OPTION 2 – NO I WILL NOT BE VOLUNTEERING

- A \$50.00 athletic participation obligation will be added to your student(s) account and must be paid by mid-May of that school year. **Seniors are billed March and fees must be paid prior to attending any events.** This athletic participation obligation of \$50.00 is **one-time-per family-per school year**.

Additional Information regarding Participation Obligation:

Concessions. Home concessions run from August to May – **a parent from any sport can work concession and get participation credit.** This is all tracked through the Athletic Director and will be recognized during that sport's season even spring sports will be carried over into the next school year, so your teams will always get credit. If teams do not meet the criteria from the form given at the sports meeting, they may not be eligible to request additional financial support from the Boosters.

****Other options.** We understand parents want to volunteer but are unable to work both parts of the criteria listed above due to work/home obligations.

- (i) if you cannot work Toyota Park, you can work 8+ hours of home concessions dates, this includes the Winter Craft Show

Toyota Park (see next page for additional information)

- All events run from March to November (weather permitting)
- Anyone 16 and over can work only in the kitchen or food runner; you need to be 21 and certified to serve alcohol. An online test is required at no charge.
- Dress code: black/dark pant, no-slip shoes, Shepard Booster shirt (gray with black sleeves), Shepard hat or Spectra Hat. Parking is free go in far west gravel lot on 71st street (Employee Parking). You need to be there 60-75 minutes prior to gate time (park opens 60 minutes before game time) for inventory and set-up. We are checked-in and released as a group. **You must commit to the entire shift for family credit.**

TOYOTA PARK

This is Shepard's Athletic Booster Club's 4th year partnering with Toyota Park. Toyota Park is the home to Chicago Fire, Chicago Red Stars, Chicago Open Air and many International soccer games. Our contract is specifically with Sodexo, which provides food and beverage service for the park. We work solely on commissions, making 14% off what the sales are from that game/event. There is no guarantee on how much you will make on a shift.

We have designated concessions areas and many times work from Portables, which are located on the concourse. 1 stand requires a minimum of 12 people and the other stand a minimum of 6. A portable can be run by 1-2 people. We can accept tips, but we cannot advertise a tip jars. Game times can change at any time. We ask for you to arrive on time to review what is needed before starting. We need every hand and you may need to choose another day to work if you cannot stay the entire time, since shifts run close to 5 hours maybe less depending on your crew.

There are **NO** split shifts, without a replacement. We are required to do our own inventory before and after each game, as well as clean up. Toyota Park provides us a starting bank and at the end of the night a lead will count your drawer. If any money is missing, those losses come from our profits. **ABSOLUTELY NO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES DURING A SHIFT. You are provided a cup for the fountain drink machine only.**

You must be 16 to work in the kitchen area, as a food runner or work a non-alcoholic provided portable. You must be at least 21 years old to work on a register, as you are considered a server and would be serving alcohol. You will be required to take the online Bassett test to serve alcohol. This test is paid by Boosters and your certification is valid for 3 years.

Any questions, please feel free to contact:

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SIGNUP FOR TOYOTA PARK AND SHEPARD HOME CONCESSIONS AT WWW.SIGNUPGENIUS.COM

- on signupgenius page, very bottom right (find a signup)
- search by email -curry.gallagher@chsd218.org – From here you will be able to create a login and signup for any concessions dates you would like. You will also receive reminders when your date is approaching.
- **All this information plus the links are on school webpage under Athletics and/or Parent Community**