

“Student Leader” and “Section Parent” Update:

We had nearly 100 students participate in the Leadership Training/Observation process this year. It was a pleasure working with these students in countless hours of teaching and performance exercises. We are excited that so many students wish to take on the tremendous responsibility of student leadership. Not all students will earn the title of “Student Leader.” We expect that all students will continue to participate in the Foothill Band Program and trust that everyone has learned a little more about themselves and the leadership expectations and process.

These students were selected based on the following:

- character
- dedication
- responsibility
- motivation
- artistry
- peer evaluations
- staff observations/interviews

Student Leader Responsibilities include, but are not limited to:

- following all rules and regulations of CCSD, FHS, and the FHS Band Program
- assist FHS Band Staff in teaching and instructional responsibilities
- assist the FHS Band Staff in administrative and logistical responsibilities
- frequent meetings with the FHS Band Staff
- serve as communication liaison between students and staff
- take over responsibilities previously assigned to “Section Parents”

In an effort to continue to grow the student leader program at Foothill, this year’s Student Leaders will also be taking on the responsibilities that have been previously covered by Section Parents. Responsibilities may include designing shirts, refreshments, collection of items for raffles, etc. Parents can assist and support the Student Leaders but the Band Directors feel that the Student Leaders, and not just a singular, designated “Section Parent,” should coordinate these responsibilities. All shirt designs will need to be approved by one of the directors before going to print. Money will be collected only by the Falcon Band Booster Treasurer or the Director of Operations, Lisa Austin. Students and parents are not authorized to collect money without specific permission from the Foothill Band Directors. Until further notice, we will no longer recognize the title of “Section Parent.” Please understand that this in no way suggests that we will not continue to need the wonderful help and support of our amazing band parents. We would like to thank our previous section parents for the efforts and recognize that their hard work is an inspiration that our new student leaders can use to move forward with these exciting new responsibilities.

Student Leaders, especially Drum Majors, are encouraged to attend the FJM Leadership Camp, July 8-11 in Flagstaff, Arizona.

All Student Leaders will meet beginning on July 23, 2018 at Foothill High School.