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Last Name: _____ First Name: _____ Middle Initial: _____
 Nickname: _____ Social Security #: _____
 Instrument or Equipment: _____ Date of Birth: _____
 Address: _____
 City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
 Phone Number(s): _____ E-mail Address: _____

Membership Dues

The following is a schedule of membership dues payments for the Raiders Drum & Bugle Corps. This is a payment plan that will assist in breaking out membership fees into easy monthly payments. Members are responsible for all membership fees, regardless of the date they join. Alternate payment plans can be arranged in writing for members joining at later dates. Membership Dues and Tour Fees are to be turned in on the below listed dates:

IT IS VERY IMPORTANT THAT THE BELOW PAYMENT DATES ARE MET ON TIME!

	Due Date	Returning Member	New Member
Application-Fee (Non-refundable)	With Application	\$10	\$25
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<u>IMPORTANT! - Dues Payments MUST</u>	December Camp (12/15/07)	\$0	\$0
<u>be handed in at the start of each camp,</u>	January Camp (1/12/08)	\$100	\$125
<u>or the member will NOT be allowed to</u>	February Camp (2/09/08)	\$100	\$125
<u>participate at rehearsal.</u>	March Camp (3/08/08)	\$150	\$150
	April Camp (4/05/08)	\$250	\$250
	Membership Dues:	\$600	\$650
Tour Fee (Non-refundable)			
	May 17, 2008	\$250	\$250
	June 14, 2008	\$350	\$350
	Tour Fee:	\$600	\$600
Championship Fee (Non-refundable)	July 12, 2008	\$100	\$100

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Membership Dues Refund Policy

- If a member declines an offered spot and/or terminates his/her membership at any point – any paid membership dues will **NOT** be refunded.
- No member will be offered a spot if membership dues are not paid up to date.
- If a member is asked to no longer be part of the Raiders because of disciplinary reasons – any paid membership dues will **NOT** be refunded.
- If a member terminates their membership due to an injury suffered while a member of the Raiders, the member must show proof (in the form of a Doctor's note) stating that they are no longer physically able to participate as a member of the Drum Corps. At that point the Board of Directors will have discretion on a refund decision, based on the circumstances.
- If a member cannot be offered a spot with the Raiders – 25% of any paid membership dues will be refunded.
- Fundraising Credits/Donations/Sponsorships that have gone towards membership dues or tour fess are not eligible for cash refund.
- Tour Fees are non refundable.
- No money will be refunded if a member s account is not paid up to date.

I UNDERSTAND AND AGREE TO THE DUES REFUND POLICY STATED ABOVE.

_____ Please initial (if under 18, Parent must initial)

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Fundraising Policy

Every member is highly encouraged to participate in fundraisers. Participation in these fundraisers allows members to reduce the cost of being a member of the Raiders. These fundraisers are also used to cut costs for the organization for things such as equipment purchases, vehicle maintenance, uniforms, etc.

The chart below shows how a member can pay off tour fee with a commitment to work "off the field" toward his/her time with the Raiders. This is a great tool to help develop budget planning for a member.

HOW CAN I USE FUNDRAISERS TO REDUCE MY TOUR FEES TO \$0?			
Fundraiser	When do I do it?	What do I have to do?	How much credit do I get?
Bingo	Any time	Schedule & Work 6 Bingo Dates in 2008 (January thru December)	\$200
On-Line Magazines	Any time	25% of sales go toward your tour fee. \$100 Sales	????
March-A-thon	February	Send out a minimum of 25 march-a-thons	\$200
Scratch Card	March	Finish 1 scratch card and bring in the \$100.	\$75
Raffle	April	Sell 20 tickets at \$10 each.	\$50
Baseball Pool	May	Sell 10 Tickets @ \$10 each	\$50
Ad Journal	June	50% of journal adds & tickets sold (minimum of \$200)	\$100
Parade Band	Anytime	Based on # of parades marched	????
Total CREDIT I get applied to my Tour Fee			\$700

MIDNIGHT BINGO: The Raiders Midnight Bingo is the single most important fundraiser for the organization, and a **VERY easy way for you to reduce your membership fees!** The Bingo is run every Saturday night from 11PM- 2AM at the Wayne PAL in Wayne, NJ. For each night of bingo worked by the member or immediate family member(s) **ONLY** one (1) \$50 credit will go toward the member tour fee. Bingo fundraising credit will be given to the member on August 1. This means the membership contract must be paid in full in order to receive a bingo credit on a member tour fee. The maximum number of bingo to credit toward a member's tour fee is 4. If a member wishes to receive additional tour fee credit by working extra bingos, the \$50 credit will be split 50/50 with the members' tour account and the general fund.

ON-LINE MAGAZINES: www.magfunding.com/raidersdbc This site if available all year. The member can solicit friends & family on line and receive credit for sales. This included new subscriptions as well as renewals.

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MARCH-A-THON: The March-a-thon is a great tool for members to raise funds to pay their dues. Members provide names & addresses of friends/family. Donation/pledge forms are then sent to the member's friends & family in hope of obtaining donations or pledges for the member. **100%** of funds raised by the member's march-a-thons are credited towards their dues (minus \$35 for postage/handling/processing costs to general fund)

SCRATCH CARDS: The Scratch Card is a simple fundraiser for members to raise funds to pay their tour fee. Each member is given a scratch card to take home. Each person who scratches off a box will make a small donation to the member. The customer will then receive a discount coupon to a national company. (i.e. Target, McDonalds, Outback) **75%** of the funds raised will be credited toward a member's tour fee (minus the cost of the card).

RAFFLE: The Raiders hold a large annual raffle of high value items such as Harley Davidson Motorcycles, Gas Cards or a 50/50 cash prize. Members have the opportunity to sell raffle tickets and receive a 50% credit towards their membership fees for doing so.

DCI SHOW: A member can sell journals for our home show ad book and sell tickets to help increase attendance. 50% of the sells will go toward a member's tour fee.

PARADE BAND: The Raiders Parade Band is open to all ages and all instruments. If a member participates in a Parade Band parade, a portion of the fees will be credited to the member account. There are no substitutes or sponsorships of members allowed.

IN THE EVENT THAT AMOUNTS RAISED EXCEED A MEMBER'S OUTSTANDING DUES, THE EXCESS AMOUNTS ARE NOT RETURNED TO THE MEMBER, DONOR, OR SPONSOR. ALL EXCESS AMOUNTS ARE MADE PART OF THE GENERAL FUND.

FUNDRAISING CREDITS WILL ONLY BE APPLIED TO TOUR FEE PAYMENTS.

A MEMBER MUST BE PAID UP TO DATE TO RECEIVE FUNRAISING CREDITS.

I UNDERSTAND AND AGREE THE FUNDRAISING POLICY STATED ABOVE.

_____ Please initial (if under 18, Parent must initial)

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Membership Dues Explanations

Membership dues cover the cost of: Care, feeding, facilities, equipment, instruments, insurance, uniforms, transportation and more. **All administration and staff members of the Raiders are 100% volunteers.** Each member of the staff donates their compensation to the Raiders. Membership dues, fundraisers, and tour fees are used only for the program and the benefit of it members.

The organization does not furnish accessory items to members such as shoes, undergarments, or gloves for use with uniform. Members are responsible for these items.

Accessory Items: The following are the accessory items required to complete the Raiders uniform at member's expense:

Musicians:

Black Socks
Marching Shoes \$25.00
Gloves (Hornline)

Color Guard:

Shoes
Gloves
Makeup

Members will be personally responsible for a limited amount of meals while traveling on weekend trips or tour. It will be the responsibility of the organization to notify members in advance of these occurrences.

Equipment Deposits: First 2 dues payments must be paid in order to take equipment/instrument home.

Members that are unable to meet their financial obligation to the organization are required to make arrangements with the Administration for assistance in meeting their obligations. These arrangements are to be made in the first month of which an installment is not paid. A member not attempting to make these arrangements and not demonstrating a dedicated attempt to fulfill their financial obligation to the organization will lose their membership with the Raiders.

Any unpaid/outstanding dues will be subject to collection via a professional debt collection agency. Any costs incurred from debt collection process will be the responsibility of the member (or parent/guardian).

By signing below, I understand my financial obligations to the Raiders Drum & Bugle Corps
as outlined in the above Financial Contract

Member Signature _____ Parent/Guardian Signature _____

Member Policies Agreement

Please read, review and sign below. This agreement is in effect for the entire year, 12/1/2006 to 12/1/2007. This contract is a legal document; we ask for the signature of the member and parent or guardian, regardless of age.

1. The Raiders will do everything possible to have the corps 100% drug free. Drugs are absolutely not permitted at Raiders rehearsals, camps, functions, and on any of the tours whatsoever. The proper authorities will be notified if a member is found using illegal substances.
2. Alcohol is not permitted or to be used at Raiders rehearsals, camps, functions, and on any of the tours regardless of the member's age.
3. In The Raiders we are judged by our every word and action. The language one uses can sometimes be offensive. Profanity is not allowed at Raiders rehearsals, functions, and especially when in uniform.
4. The Raiders' goal is to have all members not smoke. The Raiders policy is that members CAN NOT smoke on ANY school grounds, at Raiders facilities, on Raiders busses, around The Raiders vehicles, in uniform, or during meetings. Smoking (if over 18) is only permitted during meal breaks (breakfast, lunch, dinner), but not on school grounds. There is no smoking during rehearsals or on your mini-breaks during the length of the rehearsals.
5. The Raiders believe that how I interact with people is extremely important. Courtesy and manners will be encouraged, and I will make the effort to thank the many hard working volunteers who make all of this possible.
6. Stealing is illegal and not tolerated at The Raiders. Examples are the taking other people shoes, plumes, uniform parts, clothing, wallets, school property, etc. These and any other offenses will be dealt with severely and turned over to the authorities.
7. I have no outstanding financial obligations with any other drum and bugle corps and I agree that any and all financial obligations to The Raiders, either for the winter or summer programs, must be paid in full before I may participate in the winter or summer programs of any other organization.
8. I am financially responsible for the repair or the replacement of my uniform and equipment resulting from my careless or negligent use of these and any other Raiders property while in my trust.
9. If I participate in the 2008 Raiders and decide on or after March 1, 2008 to march in another drum and bugle corps, I must get The Raiders Corps Director's written permission to join the other corps for the 2008 season.
10. I will sign and return all forms and provide a copy of an insurance id card and valid birth certificate that verifies that my age to be no older than twenty-one (21) years of age up to June 1, 2008.
11. I agree to meet my financial obligation with the Raiders Drum and Bugle Corps as outlined in the financial agreement.
12. I agree to set the highest priority I can to being a member and possess the strongest dedication to attendance. I understand being in the Raiders is an honor, and do not plan on participating in other activities (such as sports) that will interfere with the Raiders rehearsal schedule. I need to be at ALL rehearsals in order to develop a successful program as a team. I must notify my section's caption head as well as the Corps Director in advance of unavoidable conflicts so that the staff can plan the schedule to be most productive. I also understand that being in the Raiders will result in many new friendships that will last a lifetime, however, I do not consider this as solely a social activity. I choose to participate because I really WANT to!
13. The Raiders believe that a member's academic standing at school is important to being a well-rounded individual. All members in High School and/or Junior High School will be expected to maintain an acceptable academic standing while part of the Raiders. If necessary, the administration may request a member's report card to ensure that the member is maintaining this academic standard.
14. I am aware that failure to meet any of the obligations or commitments described above, or in The Raiders Member Policies Agreement in the Raiders handbook constitutes good cause for expulsion from The Raiders.

I have read and fully understand the contents of this Agreement and/or have had the contents fully explained to my satisfaction.

Member Signature

Date

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date