

Support Music in Our Schools!

“The real purpose of arts education is to create complete human beings capable of leading successful and productive lives in a free society.”

— Dana Gioia, *Former Chairman of the National Endowment for the Arts*

Over the last three decades, arts education has suffered numerous budget cuts and has been disappearing from many public school programs. Studies have shown the importance of arts education to create students who are motivated, confident, and critical thinkers --- our leaders of tomorrow.



Here in Ashland, ***we have a music program to be very proud of!*** We rely on the support of individuals and businesses to ensure that music education remains a key component of our children’s development.

Founded in 2010, the Ashland Music Association advocates for and provides financial and volunteer assistance to the music programs in our public schools.

Your support helps make our programs possible and enables us to:

- Fund transportation expenses and costs for students to attend music events and competitions
- Fund audition and transportation costs for students to participate in Junior and Senior District, All-State and All-Eastern Music Festivals
- Fund teacher grants to enhance the music curriculum
- Coordinate community music performances showcasing our talented students
- Build a stronger music community among Ashland’s parents, teachers, students, businesses and all music lovers!

This year, our goal is to have 100 new supporters join the Ashland Music Association. Please help us today by ***becoming a member*** or by ***purchasing an ad in our concert programs!***

Your donation makes a vital impact here in Ashland and is instrumental in helping us fulfill our mission.

Thank you, in advance, for your support and for your investment in the arts and the lives of our children!