Newsletter – 8/1/2023

CONCESSIONS NEWS

The concessions operation is getting ramped up for the fall football season! For those of you that are new to the program, this is a BIG operation, and we will be calling for volunteer help throughout the season and need all families to step up and volunteer.

Thank you to the parents and students that came out on Saturday to help us clean and get moved into the concessions stand for the new season - your help is very much appreciated! I would also like to thank our new Concessions VP in training, **Heather Wisham** for her hard work and willingness to jump in!

**Concessions Events in August:**

8/18 6:00-10:00 Varsity Scrimmage Game – limited concessions home side

8/19 2:00-5:30 Cooking School – Details to come later this week.

8/19 4:00-5:30 Feeding the Band – Drill Frenzy

8/24 6:00-8:00 Thursday Prep for first Game

8/25 Various Home Football Game - Vandegrift

**Varsity Scrimmage** – 8/18 We will open the home side for this event and will only be selling drinks and snacks (no grills or fryers). This is a good warmup for people that have not experienced a game night in concessions at Tiger Stadium. This environment allows for more focused training on the sales tablets and other processes. Please see Sign-up link to volunteer!

**Feeding the Band** – at 5:00 the evening of the Drill Frenzy on 8/19, we will be feeding the band from the home concessions stand. The cooking team will cook the food, and we will need some **volunteer support** to help with wrapping food, serving fries, preparing condiments, cleanup, etc. This is a good way for parents that are not familiar with our operation to see what it’s about and get involved. Please see link to sign-up!

**Cooking Introduction** – Luke Hassel and members of the cooking crew will be offering a cooking introduction the evening of the Drill Frenzy 8/19 at 5:00. This will provide an ability to see what goes on in the cooking area, ask questions, and perhaps get a chance to get a taste of some fresh catfish! Please see link to sign-up and get involved.

**CONCESSIONS POSTIONS POSTED IN SIGN-UP**

Concessions positions for all games are now available in Sign-up. We ask that everyone sign up for spots that you can fill throughout the season as early as possible to avoid any last-minute crisis e-mails from Caryn or Mr. Woods. This is also important, because we need to know if we will have to solicit other booster groups that we can pay to assist with helping on Fridays, which significantly cuts into the band boosters’ profits. ***Please note cooking positions will be made available in Sign-up closer to our cooking introduction on 8/19.***

**Only ONE volunteer lead position remains open** – we need to identify a **Friday Early Prep Coordinator** in the next few weeks as we gear up for our first game.

There is no experience necessary, but we need a volunteer that is willing to provide consistent leadership to the Friday prep volunteers as we prepare the concessions stand for home games. If you able and have any questions or would like to discuss, please e-mail Kevin Smith at concessions@dsbandboosters.org.

The band boosters have become known for the quality and offerings in our concessions stand, which adds to experience that draws very large crowds to our stadium, and in turn generates significant profits for the band program. Let’s make it another great year in concessions!

Go Tiger Band!