# Clarinda High School

100 North Cardinal Drive Clarinda, Iowa 51632



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## **Proposal**

The Clarinda Band Boosters is proposing the purchase of 100 new marching band uniforms for the high school marching band. The anticipated cost of the new uniforms is \$50,500 and the boosters are asking to collaborate on the purchase with the school district.

### History

The current uniforms were purchased in 2006 with an expected lifespan of 10 years. At that time, the board agreed to fund 50% of the uniform cost (approx. \$41,000 total).

### **Current Reality**

Through careful maintenance and annual dry cleaning, we have been able to extend the useful life of the uniforms, however, after many years of use and alterations, the uniforms are no longer meeting the needs of our students. The high school band generally marches between 55-75 students, with approximately 200 students in the 6-12 band program.

#### **Process**

We initiated the uniform replacement process in the fall of 2019, however due to covid, we pressed pause and waited until a more appropriate time.

- 1. Met with uniform reps (DeMoulin; 2019 & Stanbury; 2021)
- 2. Formed a student committee that submitted design ideas
- 3. Finalized design on paper
- 4. Received sample uniforms and corresponding pricing
- 5. Made adjustments
- 6. Final design approval

#### **Future**

The student committee and Mrs. Ridge have received the sample uniforms and sent proposed design changes to the manufacturers. The decision on which company to purchase from will be based on consideration of the following: quality, service, craftmanship, and price. We hope to move forward with this project in time to have the uniforms for the fall of 2022.

Respectfully Submitted,

Courtney Ridge Director of Bands