



Sound and Spirit of Columbus



## 2024 Raffle

to benefit the

Sound and Spirit of Columbus Band Program

### Official Rules & Regulations

By purchasing a raffle ticket and participating in the 2024 Raffle, you as a raffle entrant agree that (1) the Columbus North High School Band Boosters, Operating as the Sound and Spirit of Columbus 2024 Raffle (the "Raffle") is a fundraising activity conducted by the Columbus North High School Band Boosters, Operating as the Sound and Spirit of Columbus (hereinafter "Band Boosters") in support of the Sound and Spirit of Columbus Band Program; (2) these Official Rules & Regulations below govern the conduct of the Raffle and together with the decisions of Band Boosters, including resolutions of any disputes, are binding and final on everyone who purchases a Raffle ticket and/or presents a winning Raffle ticket; (3) it is the responsibility of the ticket purchaser or person named on the Raffle ticket to review the Official Rules for modifications or supplements; (4) no modification of these official contest rules shall be effective and enforceable unless made by the Band Boosters in writing and approved by the Board of Directors; and (5) the Raffle is subject to all applicable Indiana laws and regulations, specifically, to the provisions of Indiana Code governing charity gaming found at Indiana Code section 4-32.3 as well as to oversight by the Indiana Gaming Commission.

1. **Tickets.** The price per one (1) ticket is \$5.00. Tickets will also be offered for sale in multiple units to include five (5) for \$20.00, Lucky Seven (7) Pack for \$25.00, twelve (12) for \$40.00 and forty (40) for \$100.00. There is no limit to the number of tickets that can be sold. There is no limit on the number of raffle tickets an individual may purchase. **All raffle ticket purchases must be made in cash**, and all purchases are final--no refunds or replacements will be issued.

Tickets may be purchased beginning Thursday, August 22, 2024, and through and including Wednesday, November 6, 2024 (the "Entry Period"). A cut-off time for Wednesday, November 6, 2024

(In the event of rain, the drawing will be held on Thursday November 7, 2024), will be advertised on the Band Booster website ([www.soundandspiritofcolumbus.band](http://www.soundandspiritofcolumbus.band)) which will determine the end of the Entry Period after which tickets may not be purchased. This timeframe will coincide with the end of the Senior Parent Run Through on November 6<sup>th</sup> (or November 7<sup>th</sup> in case of rain). The Band Boosters has the right to shorten or extend the Entry Period. The Band Boosters will conduct all drawings in accordance with Raffle rules contained herein. The winning tickets will be drawn at random from a drum containing all eligible Raffle tickets. **The drawing for prizes is open to the public; however, the winner does not need to be present to win.** The odds of winning will depend on the number of eligible entries received and accepted.

2. **Eligibility.** Raffle ticket purchasers and the person claiming a prize must be a legal U.S. citizen or legal resident and at least 18 years of age at the time of purchase. Raffle tickets may not be purchased in the name of a business, trust, corporation, or other entity, or wherever prohibited by applicable law. Members of the Board of Directors of the Band Boosters of the Columbus North High School Band Boosters are not eligible to win the Raffle. Prize winners may be required to sign an affidavit of eligibility. Offer void where prohibited by law.

3. **Prizes and Drawings.** The Grand Prize will constitute one-half (½) of the gross sales of all eligible tickets sold by the end of the Entry Period (the “Half Pot Winnings”). The Band Boosters shall retain the other one-half (½) of the gross sales of all eligible tickets.

The Grand Prize drawing will be conducted at Columbus North High School, 1400 25<sup>th</sup> Street, Columbus, Indiana 47201. The winning raffle ticket number for the Grand Prize will be posted on the Band Booster website ([www.soundandspiritofcolumbus.band](http://www.soundandspiritofcolumbus.band)) and the Band Booster Facebook page ( <https://www.facebook.com/groups/110486879004540> ) within twenty-four (24) hours of the drawing. **The winner need not be present when the winner is announced to win.**

4. **Claiming Prizes.** Winner shall provide the Band Boosters with a completed IRS Form W-9 and any other necessary tax information before receiving winnings and failure to provide a correctly completed form shall be grounds for forfeiting prizes. **The Band Boosters shall have no responsibility to replace lost tickets nor maintain records of individuals purchasing tickets.**

The holder of a winning ticket must provide the Band Boosters with a valid State-issued photo ID verifying their identity, in addition to all requested tax identification information. In the event: (i) the winner does not contact the Band Boosters within thirty (30) days of the end of the Entry Period (by close of business on November 7, 2024); (ii) the winner is ruled ineligible for any reason; or (iii) the winner declines the prize, then in those events **the prize will be forfeited** and will be retained by the Band Boosters. **The Band Boosters have no obligation to contact potential winners.**

Winners will be required to sign a Declaration of Eligibility attesting to the fact that he/she is 18 years of age or older, as well as other terms and conditions as designated by the Band Boosters. Winners also agree to the use of his/her name, photograph or videotape likeness and statements for publicity purposes by Band Boosters and consent to the use of his/her likeness in order to collect the prize.

5. **Tickets and Purchasing.** Tickets may be purchased from members of the Band Boosters. **Tickets may also be sold at additional events and locations**, to be announced on the Band Boosters Facebook Page, **at the discretion of the Band Boosters.** All listed ticket sale locations and times are subject to change at the discretion of the Band Boosters. Those helping to sell tickets must either 1.) purchase tickets prior to their shift or 2.) wait until the next day to purchase tickets. (In the event the designated person to draw the winning ticket is not able to be present, the person drawing the winning ticket is not eligible to win and will draw another ticket should their ticket be drawn.)

6. **Rules and Authorization for Use.** By participating in this Raffle, all ticket purchasers and the person named on each Raffle ticket accept and agree (1) to be bound by all the rules, limitations and restrictions set forth here, and (2) that their names and/or likenesses may be disclosed to and used by the news media and may otherwise be used by the Band Boosters, for publicity purposes and naming of the prize winners to be published in area newspapers or other media including television, radio, web and print. The prize winners may be published on the Band Booster website, Facebook and other social media. Names of the winners may be obtained by sending a written request plus a self-addressed, stamped envelope to the Sound and Spirit of Columbus, P.O. Box 2122, Columbus, IN 47202.

7. **Release by Participants.** By participating in this Raffle, each participant releases the Band Boosters and the Sound and Spirit Band Program, and each of their respective directors, officers, contractors and agents, from any and all liability for injuries, losses or damages of any kind caused by any prize or resulting from acceptance, possession, use or misuse of any prize, and each winner agrees to fully indemnify and hold Band Boosters and Sound and Spirit of Columbus Band Program and each of their respective directors, officers, contractors and agents harmless from any and all losses, damages, costs, expenses, rights, claims and actions of any kind arising in connection with this Raffle or as a result of the winner's acceptance or use of any prize. Each Participant by participating in the Raffle acknowledges that no other party is associated with the Raffle, including without limitation Columbus North High School, the Bartholomew County School Corporation, or any of its teachers, educators, administrators, staff, agents, officers, employees, or representatives and each participant fully indemnifies and holds those parties harmless from any and all losses, damages, costs, expenses, rights, claims and actions of any kind arising in connection with this Raffle or as a result of the winner's acceptance or use of any prize. A Raffle participant's sole and exclusive remedy for Band Boosters breach of these Rules and Regulations shall be limited to the return of the purchase price paid for his or her Raffle ticket(s). In no event shall Band Boosters, or their respective directors, officers, contractors, members, committee members, agents, advisors, or representatives be liable to any party for any loss or

injuries to earnings, profits or goodwill, or for any incidental, special, punitive or consequential damages of any person or entity.

8. **Disclaimers.** The Band Boosters does not undertake to give advice on the legal or tax consequences of the purchase of Raffle tickets or the claiming of prizes by its winners. However, it understands that the IRS position is that amounts paid for chances in raffles, lotteries or similar drawings for valuable prizes are not gifts, and consequently do not qualify as deductible charitable contributions. The winner assumes and must pay all fees and charges and income taxes (local, state and federal taxes), if applicable. Band Boosters reserves the right to withhold standard rates for federal and/or Indiana state taxes as may be required by applicable law or the Indiana Gaming Commission, but by reason of that reservation the Band Boosters assumes no responsibility for a prizewinner's ultimate tax obligations and suggests you consult your tax advisor. If taxes are withheld the prize winner remains obligated for the full payment of any and all fees and taxes for his or her prize winnings. Forms W-2G & 941 will be filed with the Internal Revenue Service to report the value of the prizes won. All required forms will also be filed with the state of Indiana Department of Revenue and Gaming Commission. This offer is void where prohibited by law and all federal, state and local laws and regulations apply.

*THE WINNERS ARE STRONGLY ADVISED TO SEEK PROFESSIONAL LEGAL AND/OR TAX ADVICE. AWARDS COULD HAVE INCOME OR OTHER TAX CONSEQUENCES, ADVERSE EFFECTS ON GOVERNMENT ENTITLEMENTS OR OTHER BENEFITS, AND MAY HAVE OTHER LEGAL, FINANCIAL OR TAX CONSEQUENCES.*

9. **Registration with the State of Indiana Gaming Commission.** This Raffle is conducted for the benefit of the Sound and Spirit of Columbus High School Band Program by the Columbus North High School Band Boosters, Operating as the Sound and Spirit of Columbus, under strict conformity and compliance with the Indiana Gaming Commission, and the rules and regulations of the Charity Gaming Division. The Raffle is licensed by the Indiana Gaming Commission, Indiana Annual Raffle License No. 011782 which is on file with the Band Boosters.

Any questions regarding the Raffle or the purchase of Raffle tickets may be directed to (812) 552-1079 or email [denise.sharpe@soundofnorth.band](mailto:denise.sharpe@soundofnorth.band).

*Approved by the Columbus North High School Band Boosters, Operating as the Sound and Spirit of Columbus*

*Board of Directors on August 8, 2024*