





Update: Maynard Music Association Annual Casino Game Night Fundraiser

In consideration of these uncertain and challenging times during the Covid-19 pandemic, Maynard Music Association has thoroughly discussed the effects of the restrictions upon our annual fundraiser, Casino Game Night, which supports music students and programs in grades 4-12.

In reality, the planning for the event typically begins in the summer months with numerous volunteers seeking program advertisements, auction items, table sponsorships, and prizes from families and local businesses that have, for over ten years, helped us to raise over \$15,000 each year for the music programs for Fowler and MHS.

This year, asking our many generous families and local businesses for financial support in the same way, while finances among us are uncertain, feels insensitive, and challenging. Additionally, a commitment to a gathering of 250 people at the Elks in November was uncertain in the timeframe in which planning needed to begin.

Our plan, however, is to present an alternative in deference to the challenges that this particular year brings. **In October**, we will be sending an annual appeal to businesses who have generously supported Casino Game Night fundraiser in the past through advertisements or by Gaming Table Sponsorships. Additionally, we look forward to launching our online "**Donate to MMA**" link on our website for families to give what they can from mid-October through our original Casino Game Night fundraiser event date on November 7th.

We are committed to maintaining Casino Game Night as a Maynard Music Association fundraiser for years to come and will book ahead in order to resume with a celebratory evening of fun and games on November 6, 2021.

Regards, Bonnie Wilson + The Casino Game Night Team MMA Chairperson MHS & MMA Casino Game Night fundraiser