

## Buy SCRIP to Support VHS Band

Do you like the fact that Vernonia's high school band is playing at a state championship level? Want to support the band program to keep it running at a high level? Don't have much to give?

Happily, there are a record number of fifth grade students who wish to be in band this year. Sadly, there are not enough instruments for all these new musicians and many struggle to afford rent from a music store. The instruments are old and they cost a lot to keep in repair. The school is not even able to afford toner for our class printer.

Here is how you can help and it won't cost you a penny that you wouldn't normally spend anyway! Look over the SCRIP order form with over 200 businesses from which to choose. If you find some that you foresee patronizing anyway, simply purchase a gift card in the specified denominations offered. You then use your gift card just like cash. It is good at any location, and it never expires. The great thing about buying the gift card through the band is that we get to keep a certain percentage of the sale.

With the district budget issues, this is a great opportunity to keep this program running strong.

You can download an order form from the district website, <http://www.vernonia.k12.or.us>. Just look for the VHS BAND SCRIP logo on the right. Or you can come and fill one out just inside the main doors of the new school. Check off what you want to order, attach a payment made out to VCPTA (Vernonia Community PTA), and turn it in to the school office or at the SCRIP table any morning before school.

## Vernonia Schools Receives Special Gift From Local Businessmen



From left to right are Vernonia School superintendent Dr. Ken Cox, Dewayne Cowles, Beylee Provost, Chris Provost and Gary Meyer, all of Vernonia. Photo courtesy of Rachel Cowles.

On Tuesday, September 4 Vernonia Schools Superintendent Ken Cox was presented with a piece of artwork for the halls of the new Vernonia Schools.

Local businessmen and a local carpenter foreman for the Vernonia Schools project combined their skills and constructed a saw blade with the Vernonia school logo and presented it to the school.

Dewayne Cowles with Cascade Acoustics along with Chris Provost of Chief-built CNC designed and manufactured the blade; Gary Meyer of Meyer's Auto Body was asked to add the school logo. In addition to the blade, Provost, with the help of Meyer, presented Vernonia with a gift of CNC artwork worth in excess of one thousand dollars to help with project funding.

Orders are submitted every other Tuesday, and your cards are available for pick up on that Friday. So please take a look and if you have any questions you can contact Mr. Izzett, the band director, at 503-429-1333, or via email at [rizzett@vernonia.k12.or.us](mailto:rizzett@vernonia.k12.or.us).

The next order date is October 8. If you wish, just indicate on your order form that your order may be sent home with your student.

## Boosters Buzz



Calling all 3rd-6th grade boys and girls interested in playing youth basketball, to come sign up!

The first Youth Basketball sign-ups will be held on Tuesday, October 2nd from 6:00-8:00 PM at the Vernonia Schools commons area. The second sign-ups will be on Saturday, October 20th at the PTA carnival, held in the Vernonia schools gym, 5:30-8:00 PM. For further questions & information, contact Amanda Wolf 503-429-0457.

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