

# OTHS BANDS Week of November 28<sup>th</sup> – December 4<sup>th</sup>

We hope that everyone had a wonderful holiday weekend. We are so thankful for each and every one of you! We are blessed with the very best students here at OTHS!!!

## **Parade Info -**

Sunday - meet at Smiley Band room at 5pm - holiday colors - dress for the weather!

We will warm-up at 5:10pm for rehearsal -

5:40pm - we will travel to the start of the parade.

Students will stay with the band and walk back in a block together and then be dismissed from Smiley

## **This week please stay with the charms calendar! - Lots going on!!**

Specific info will go out to Wind Ensemble and Madrigal Brass and Flute Choir through skyward messages  
All Wind Ensemble and Madrigal info is on the charms calendar

## **Christmas in O'Fallon!**

See schedule below

All band students will be in this performance - Concert band and marching band

We will also be collecting canned goods for the O'Fallon Food Pantry. Bins will be located at the main doors and the Dome Lobby.

- We will be updating all grades this week. If a student was unable to post the performance assessment to blackboard, we will listen to that student in class this week.

Any student who does not have a lesson teacher and is looking for one, please email John Langham at [langhamj@oths.us](mailto:langhamj@oths.us)

**Winterguard** – Mr. Langham will be updating you.

We need to know who is interested in auditioning for SIUE Bi-State Band - please submit by 5:00 PM on November 27. Forms have gone out through Charms. If you did not receive it, contact Vickie Aiello.

- Dr. G will be cleaning out the band room and percussion storage area this week to get set for the rest of the semester - if any students are interested in helping just let her know!

*~Dr. G, Mr. Carter, and Mr. Murphy*

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# STEP UP NIGHT

WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 30 - 6-8 PM  
OTHS SMILEY CAMPUS

  
JUPITER  
WINDS

  
AZUMI  
FLUTES

  
XO  
BRASS





## STEP UP NIGHT INFORMATION

At Step Up Night, Nottelmann Music Co. and KHS America will offer a variety of intermediate and professional level instruments for interested students to try out. Nottelmann Music Co. is a local St. Louis family owned and operated music store serving the Greater St. Louis area schools since 1953.

### *What kind of student musician will benefit from upgrading their instrument?*

- Students who are serious about their music and their band experience
- Students who may be considering auditioning for district and state honor band
- Students who may be planning to participate in solo and ensemble festival
- Students who may be studying with a private teacher
- Students who may be considering continuing their music in college

### *What benefits do upgraded instruments provide for students?*

Due to the superior construction and materials used in intermediate and professional level instruments, students should notice some of the following characteristics:

- Easier to play in tune
- Improved tone quality
- Better expression
- Those who will be considering a step-up flute, click this [link](#) for more information.

### *What will happen at Step Up Night?*

- Students may try out the instrument options. Students should bring their own mouthpieces to play test the instruments.
- Upgraded mouthpieces will be available for sale.
- Instruments will be available to purchase at the display.
- We will have a selection of various KHS America brand instruments including the CXL line intermediate instruments, Azumi flutes, XO professional brass instruments, and select professional clarinets and saxophones from other brands.

### *Other questions?*

- Our expert staff will be available in person to answer all of your questions.
- If you need immediate answers, call our Lemay location – 314-631-1486.

## Wednesday, December 7, 2022 – TIMELINE and Leadership Duties (please and thank you 😊)

*Attire for concert: Concert Attire – marching band students will change into uniform after their respective concert band performance. Concert band only students will remain in concert attire for the final number!*

### **5:45pm – All section leaders – meet in Band Room for brief meeting with instruments – in concert attire**

Drum Majors at all doors (two at Panther Dome entrances and two at main entrance)

SL and Coordinators will serve as beginning band member escorts to the MPR – be at both entrances to the school.

**6:00pm** – Wind ensemble personnel arrive and be dressed in uniform (concert attire)

will serve as greeters for seating 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, and 8<sup>th</sup> grade bands in back bleachers.

**Woodwind members** at the main entrance and the Dome entrance to direct students where to go.

**Brass members** will be near the back bleachers to assist with seating – make sure the students do not play. Have the students keep their folding stands with them. Cases may be placed alongside the back bleachers.

### **BACK BLEACHERS**

6<sup>th</sup> grade Band

7<sup>th</sup> grade Band

8<sup>th</sup> grade Band

Seat score order bottom to top

### **At end of concert**

Beginning Band

6<sup>th</sup> grade Band

7<sup>th</sup> grade Band

**6:45pm** we will prepare to line up to enter the Panther Dome – section leaders will be in line with the students.

**Drumline** – marching band attire - will meet at **6:45pm** to parade them in beginning at **6:55pm**. Symphonic Band and Milburn Band in seats at concert.

**Once the concert starts** –

**Wind Ensemble members** will help transition feeder students (of like instruments) of all bands in between the set ups.

- Beginner Band
- OTHS Milburn band and Symphonic band – Sleigh Ride
- 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Band
- OTHS Symphonic Winds
- 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Band
- OTHS Wind Ensemble
- 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Band
- 2022 Marching Panthers
- Christmas in O'Fallon

### **\*All other band students may report to the band room by 6:45pm.**

All band members should be ready one band before in seats, ready for performance.

\*After your concert band performance – please change into marching band uniform. You can wear what you wear under your marching uniform under your concert uniform – make it easy. Make sure to keep all of your personal belongings separate from others.

### **7:30pm – Warm-up...LINE UP 7:45pm**

**Tear-down** –all equipment & sound equipment to band room–Jazz Band Trumpets – Jazz Chairs – to band room in proper place -- Jazz Band

Trombones – Jazz Stands – to band room in proper place –

Flutes – all signs, programs & cafeteria tables (back to cafeteria) tear down –

Clarinets & Bass– all chairs and stands – first row– chairs stacked, stands back to band room neatly placed – trash on floor/bleachers

Saxes - all chairs and stands – second & third row – chairs stacked – taken upstairs – stands back to band room neatly placed –

Trumpets & Trombones- all chairs and stands – fourth & fifth row – chairs stacked – taken upstairs – stands back to band room neatly placed, help take extra jazz equipment back,

FE - Baritones and Mellos – help FE - return to band room

Tubas – all chairs and stands –sixth row – chairs stacked – taken upstairs – stands back to band room neatly placed

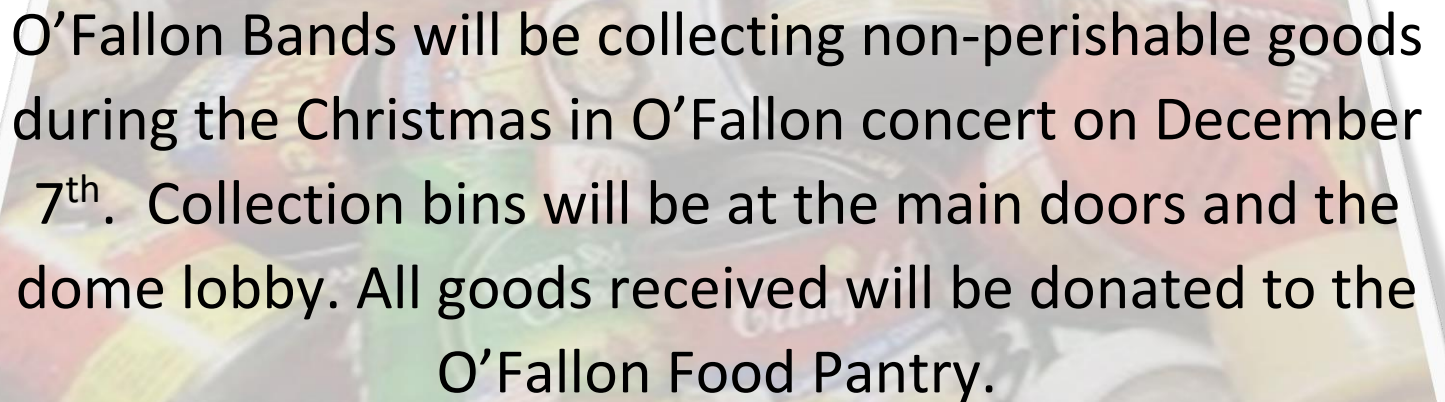
Make sure sousaphones are neatly placed back in band room.

MB Battery – all concert percussion and stands back to band room neatly placed – report to Mr. Hinds.

Drum Majors & Coordinators - get podiums and double check that everything is completed

After tear-down is completed then change out! Thank you – Dr. G

# Christmas in O'Fallon Can Drive



O'Fallon Bands will be collecting non-perishable goods during the Christmas in O'Fallon concert on December 7<sup>th</sup>. Collection bins will be at the main doors and the dome lobby. All goods received will be donated to the O'Fallon Food Pantry.

## ~ Parent Meetings Location, Dates and Times ~

Parent meetings will be held in person in the Smiley Cafeteria starting at **6 PM** on the **2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday** of each month and conclude in time to watch rehearsals in the stands.

- December 14th



## Spirit Wear Store

**\*\*NEW ITEMS\*\*** see store for more items! If you have a request or

idea, please contact [chris.kirk@yahoo.com](mailto:chris.kirk@yahoo.com).

Go check it out:

<https://othsband.com/store>



## Photographs!!!

Did you miss event? Did you sit on the wrong side and not see your student? Check out our smugmug site and see if you can find your student(s). Thanks again to our photography

team for their work, capturing memories in the making!

Check out all of the photos here (Unlock password is "Tarp"):

<https://marchingpanthers.smugmug.com/2022>



Our band needs your assistance. We have a number of paper files that we need to have digitalized. If this is something you or a couple of families can work on together, please contact Chris Kirk ([chris.kirk@yahoo.com](mailto:chris.kirk@yahoo.com)) for details.

The following positions are open and are in URGENT need of being filled:

**Concessions** – Contact John Valentine ([john.valentine@charter.net](mailto:john.valentine@charter.net))  
- help with ordering food, overseeing volunteers, prepping the band wagon

**Concert Uniform Shadows** – Contact Lisa Reed ([Lisa.reed@yahoo.com](mailto:Lisa.reed@yahoo.com)) or Jamie Glover ([jk.glover@me.com](mailto:jk.glover@me.com))  
- help with fitting concert uniforms, small alterations

The following positions need shadows for the coming year:

**Band Camp Dinner Coordinator** - Contact Winnie Kenney ([winnie\\_kenney@hotmail.com](mailto:winnie_kenney@hotmail.com))  
- seek out businesses for dinner donations, schedule shifts for camp dinners, prepare dinners (with parent assistance), etc.

**General Fundraising Chair** – Contact Sabrina King ([kingkrew@charter.net](mailto:kingkrew@charter.net))  
- seek out vendors to raise funds for the whole program



## ~ Wish List ~

Check out the bands' wish list of items. Some of the items are a one-time purchase others will be ongoing, and more items will be added as needed so check back often. [Wish list on AmazonSmile](#)



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- **Milburn Students:** Due 2pm, Main Office. Label envelope RAISERIGHT, student name, & Attn: Mrs. Horsen
- **Smiley Students:** Due 5pm, **Yellow** Marching Panthers Payment Drop box in the band room. Label envelope RAISERIGHT and student's name.
- Or drop off at the coordinator's house by 6pm on due date.

Email Lety with any questions at [MarchingPanthersRaiseRight@gmail.com](mailto:MarchingPanthersRaiseRight@gmail.com)

- ✂ **I still have orders from November 9<sup>th</sup>. Please look for email with subject: *Raise Right Orders sorted and ready for pick up*. If you haven't picked up your order, please email me to arrange pick up.**
- ✂ **November 22<sup>nd</sup> order is scheduled to arrive Monday. I will email everyone once the orders have been sorted. Look for subject line: "*Raise Right Orders sorted and ready for pickup*"**



*11/29 Freddy's Fundraiser*

*11/30 Nottelmann Step Up Program*

*12/2-4 Madrigal Dinner*

*12/2 Wind Ensemble Concert at U of I*

*12/6 Booster Board Meeting*

*12/7 Christmas in O'Fallon*

*12/14 Parent Booster Meeting*

*12/16 Wind Ensemble Midwest Preview Concert*

*12/19-22 Midwest Clinic*

*12/19-21 Final Exams*