

OTHS BANDS Director Notes

CONGRATULATIONS to the Varsity Winter Guard on their outstanding performances this weekend! The Varsity Winter Guard was a finalist and today placed 10th in the finals. This is a huge accomplishment for the Winter Guard Program. We are proud of the members, staff, and support parents who traveled with the winter guard.

This upcoming week is focused on the **IHSA Solo/Ensemble Contest which will be held at Alton High School this Saturday, March 2nd**. Students were given field trip permission slips that had travel options on them. Some students' schedules will be flexible due to the Science Olympiad and Winter Guard competition involvement.

Students need to double check with Dr. G. or Kaci Snyder about originals and any judge music concerns. Kaci and Angelica are the student coordinators for the Solo/Ensemble Contest.

We will host an open gym night for students to practice in the dome of the Smiley Campus this Wednesday, Feb. 28th from 6:00p.m. – 9:00p.m. This would be for all brass and woodwind performers.

*Piano player schedules will be sent out to individual students.

*Winter Guard practices and performance schedule will be sent out this week.

*Percussion Festival coming up the following week. Information will be sent out to these students.

***ILMEA Large Festival for Milburn Concert Band - Friday, March 15th**. Schedule will be given to students this week and sent out in Skyward.

Week of Feb. 26th

Monday:

Varsity Winter Guard – 5:30p.m.-8:30p.m.

Tuesday:

After School Jazz Band - 3:15p.m. – 4:30p.m.

Musical Pit – 3:30p.m. – 6:00p.m. (Milburn)

JV Winter Guard 5:30p.m. – 8:30p.m.

Wednesday:

Wind Ensemble – 3:00p.m. – 4:00p.m.

Musical Pit – 4:30p.m. – 6:00p.m. (Milburn)

Marching Percussion 5:30p.m. – 8:30p.m.

Open Solo Ensemble Practice Night – 6:00p.m. – 9:00p.m. (Smiley Gym – Dome)

Thursday:

JV Winter Guard – 5:30p.m. – 8:30p.m.

Friday:

Varsity Winter Guard – 3:30p.m.-6:30p.m.

Saturday:

Solo/Ensemble Contest – Alton High School

Winter Guard MCCGA Festival – Edwardsville High School

Dr. G, Mr. Carter, Mr. Murphy, and Mr. Langham

Parent Meetings Location, Dates and Times

Parent meetings are held in person in the Smiley Cafeteria starting at **6 PM** on the following dates:

- Mar. 13th
- April 10th
- May 15th

Important Reminders/Links



Reminders:

Medical Records: Parents please add updates to your student's medical records for permission to give over the counter medications if needed during a rehearsal or competition.

**Nurse (Physicals)* Bandphysicals@oths.us

Marching Band:

**Marching Band Attendance Form for Absence:*

CLICK HERE for the link. This link is also on the band website for easy access.

Pictures

<https://marchingpanthers.smugmug.com>

Password: Tarp (case-sensitive)

Spiritwear

**Varsity Spirit Wear Items*

<https://www.varsitycolors.com/othspantherband/>

PIN=BAND (case sensitive) Unable to access your My Varsity account? [CLICK HERE](#) to RESET your password using your existing email.

Misc.

**Amazon Wish List Items*

[Wish list on Amazon.com.](#)

**Video Course Syllabus*

<https://youtu.be/Urm9eJ9M1o8>

Communication Sources

Charms: <https://www.charmsoffice.com/charms2/login.asp>

School Code: pantherbandboosters

Student Area Password: this is a unique password for each student

Assistance: Julie Fortier triharderjulie@gmail.com

Band Website: <https://othsbands.com/>

About >> Band Families >>

Username: members (all lower case)

Password: PantherBand#2022

Choose Current Families for:

Online Absence Form / FamilyID Link / Student Music / Macy's Information / Etc.

Band App: <https://band.us/n/a7a29bX6I554H>

Used to communicate quick messages.



CHARMS VOLUNTEERS

- **March 15-16** MCCGA (Mid Continent Color Guard Association) sign-ups are now open. This is one of the required shifts parent/guardians are responsible for fulfilling.
- **April 13** Music for All *required parent shift.
- **April 19-20** Spring Yard Sale – Required shifts for parent/guardian/student.
- **April 20** O’That Jazz
- **April 26** E-recycling



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- **Milburn Campus:** Due 2pm, Drop off at main office to Mrs. Horsens. Label envelope RAISERIGHT and student's name. Please text/email me to let me know if you dropped off a payment at Milburn.
- **Smiley Campus:** 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

Upcoming Events:

3/2 IHSA Solo/Ensemble Contest
 3/2 Winterguard Competition - Edwardsville
 3/9 Percussion Festival – Mizzou
 3/9 Winterguard Showcase - Oakville
 3/15 ILMEA Large Band Festival – Milburn Band
 3/15-3/16 MCCGA at OTHS
Required shifts: 1 Parent
 3/22-3/24 Spring Musical
 4/4 Winterguard Community Performance - Milburn
 4/6-4/7 MCCGA Circuit Championship
 4/12 IHSA Music Organization Contest
 4/13 Music for All Concert Festival
Required shifts: 1 Parent
 4/18 Fine Arts Festival
 4/19-4/20 Band Yard Sale
Required shifts: 1 Parent
 4/20 O’That Jazz
Volunteers needed
 4/26 ISU Band Festival – Symphonic Winds/Milburn Band
 4/29 Honors Night
 5/4 Superstate Concert Band Festival
 5/9 Band Concert ~ Sudler Shield Presentation
 5/10 Band Awards ~ Show Reveal
 5/11 Prom
 5/14 Percussion Ensemble Concert
 5/27 Memorial Day Community Performance
 6/1 Graduation
 6/30 Parade – Location TBD
 7/4 America’s Birthday Parade
 8/2 Marching Band Community Preview Performance
 8/16-8/17 Fall Yard Sale
Required shifts: 1 Parent & 1 Student 8/16 or 8/17

8/17 Mattress Sale
Volunteers needed
 8/23 Blue and Gold Game
Concessions Volunteers
 8/24 CityFest Parade
 9/6 Feeder Night
Concessions Volunteers
 9/7 MEMC
Required shifts: 1 Parent
 9/13 Senior Night
Concessions Volunteers
 9/20 Football Game
Concessions Volunteers
 9/21 MB Competition – Edwardsville
 9/28 BOA Regional – Louisville, KY
 10/12 MB Competition – Ft. Zumwalt North, MO
 10/18 Homecoming Game
Concessions Volunteers
 10/19 Homecoming
 10/25-10/26 BOA Super Regional – St. Louis, MO
 11/1-11/3 Craft Fair
Required: 2 Parent shifts & 2 Student shifts
 11/9 ILMEA Jazz Festival
 11/14 -11/16 Grand Nationals – Indianapolis, IN
 11/23 ILMEA Festival Band Concert
 11/30 O’Fallon Illuminated Parade
 12/6-12/8 Madrigals
 12/11 Christmas in O’Fallon
 12/13 Music Honor Society Concert/Induction
 12/21 Wreaths Across America

Incoming and current families of ALL bands: listed below are your Band Together Section Leads. They are a great wealth of information and will be connecting with you in a few short weeks. Also, if you haven't joined our Parent Booster Facebook page, you can access that [HERE](#). We ask that you please answer the security



Flutes & Piccolos

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[OTHS Flutes and Piccolo Band Together](#)

All Clarinets, Oboes & Bassoons

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[Band Together - OTHS Clarinet Parents](#)
[Band Together - OTHS Bass Clarinet/Oboe/Bassoon Parents](#)

All Saxophones

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[Band Together - OTHS Saxophone Parents](#)

Percussion (Front Ensemble & Drumline)

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[Band Together - OTHS Battery & Front Ensemble](#)

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[Band Together - OTHS Trumpet Parents](#)

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[OTHS band Mellophone/French Horn Section](#)

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[Band Together - OTHS Band Low Brass & Contrabass](#)

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[Band Together - OTHS Colorguard Parents](#)