

OTHS BANDS Director Notes

CONGRATULATIONS to the Winter Guard on their amazing performances this weekend at the Edwardsville HS Winter Guard Exhibition.

We all wish both Winter Guards well this upcoming weekend at their first competition at Francis Howell H.S.

Almost all music is out for Solo/Ensemble contest. We will start collecting piano accompaniments this week. We will send out through skyward the most recent Solo and Ensemble listing tomorrow.

Good luck to all Frolics Acts – Shows are this Friday and Saturday at the Milburn Auditorium! Please go support all the performers! This is a music department fundraiser.

*Reminder to Early Bird Jazz and After School Jazz Band – there is a \$25 Jazz Band Fee made out to OTHS.

Week of Feb. 5th:

Monday:

Musical Pit Rehearsal at Smiley – 3:00p.m. – 5:00p.m.

Essentially Ellington permission slips due

Tuesday:

Wind Ensemble until 4:30p.m. (Gregg Bimm – retired Marian Catholic Band Director in all day.)

Marching Band Orientation Meetings - at Milburn Auditorium; 6:00p.m. new members; 7:30p.m. returning members.

Wednesday:

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

2024 – Marching Percussion begins! Smiley Campus

Thursday:

Essentially Ellington Festival for Jazz Band: Frolics Dress Rehearsal

Friday:

Frolics Performance

Saturday:

Winter Guard Competition, Frolics Performances

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:

- Feb. 21st
- 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>



2024

2/6 Marching Band Parent Meeting
2/9 – 2/10 February Frolics
3/2 IHSA Solo/Ensemble Contest
3/14 Fine Arts Festival
3/15 -3/16 MCCGA at OTHS
(required volunteer event)
3/22-3/24 Spring Musical
3/28-3/31 Spring Break

2024 Continued

4/6 MCCGA Circuit Championships
4/12 IHSA Music Organization Contest
4/13 Music for all Concert Festival
4/20 Band Yard Sale
4/27 O’That Jazz
5/2 Band Concert

5/4 Superstate Concert Band Festival

5/10 Band Banquet
5/14 Percussion Ensemble Concert
5/27 Memorial Day Community Performances

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.