

## *OTHS BANDS Director Notes*

**Congratulations** to the Wind Ensemble on their outstanding performance at the Superstate Concert Band Festival held at the University of Illinois. It was the band's BEST performance of their program. We are thankful for their talents, dedication, and hard work.

Thank you to Mr. Langham who helped organize our trip; Thank you to Mr. Carter and Mr. Murphy who helped facilitate equipment and assisted with student set and the warm-up. Thank you to Mrs. Brandi who served as a chaperone. Thank you to Mr. and Mrs. Snyder, and Mr. Anslinger who took equipment for us to and from Illinois.

Thank you to all the families who attended the event and/or watched from at home!!! We love your support!

Now, we are looking forward to a great week of celebration of the OTHS Band Program and each individual student!

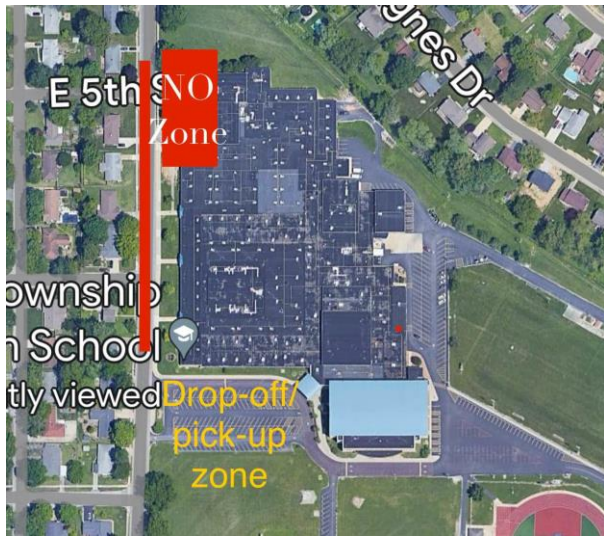
Student Leadership and 2024 Wind Ensemble will be performing at the Memorial Day performances.

Final exam info is posted on Blackboard.

**\*Graduation Band** will be the **2024 Wind ensemble members** and any siblings of graduates that are interested in playing. (please contact Dr. G about this). **There will be a mandatory rehearsal on May 31<sup>st</sup> for graduation.**

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

# REHEARSAL DROP-OFF & PICK-UP



Reminder to all marching band students and parents, as we head into Wednesday rehearsals (5:30-8:30 unless otherwise specified) drop-offs and pick-ups should be at the front entrance ONLY. This is for the safety of all students as the band room (in red and smiley street) are too congested with traffic and students are not visible.

# Parent Meetings Location, Dates and Times

2024 – All Meetings are at 6:00 PM in the Smiley Cafeteria unless otherwise noted.

- May 15<sup>th</sup>
- **June 18<sup>th</sup>** (change of date to account for Federal Holiday on June 19<sup>th</sup>)
- No Meeting in July
- Aug. 21<sup>st</sup>
- Sept. 18<sup>th</sup>
- Oct. 23<sup>rd</sup>
- Nov. 20<sup>th</sup>
- Dec. 18<sup>th</sup>



# CHARMS VOLUNTEERS

- More volunteer opportunities to come. Check back soon!

## FUNDRAISING WITHOUT FUNDRAISING

**Soda cans!!!** We collect them! They must be tied in **GARBAGE BAGS** and dropped off in the back of Smiley near the dumpsters.



**Goodshop** – similar to amazonsmile but you can pick your stores to use. Follow the link to sign-up!

<https://www.goodshop.com/nonprofit/ofallon-township-high-school-band-boosters>

**Company matching** – Does your company/business do match gifts?

We currently have a family enrolled in a gift matching program through CarMax where if you donate time or money CarMax will match the monetary gift or hours that are given. So, CarMax pays \$15 an hour for every hour that they volunteer up to \$5000 a year. The same for matching donations, if we donate an amount of money CarMax will match that also up to a certain amount. Check with your companies and see what they offer. Every little bit helps!

# Upcoming Events:

5/9 Band Concert ~ Sudler Shield Presentation

5/10 Band Awards ~ Show Reveal

5/11 Prom

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

# Uniform Fittings- Volunteers

**Uniform fittings normally take place on Wednesdays during practice time from 5:30-8:30 p.m.** You do not need to make every fitting, but your help will be greatly appreciated.

If you have questions, please contact Patti Curtright at 623-824-1687 or [patticurtright@yahoo.com](mailto:patticurtright@yahoo.com)

Thank you for your support!



# Concert Band Uniforms: Attention Students

\*Please bring a change of clothes to the **May 9<sup>th</sup>** Band Concert as all students will need to turn in their uniform at the end of the concert.

25 / 28 June  
2024  
9:00 am - 3:00 pm

# SIUE BAND Summer Camp



Dunham Hall  
SIUE campus

Camp fee: \$165.00



Students entering 6th-10th grades

Individual and ensemble skills

Varied musical styles

Rhythmic and melodic  
reading skills

Fundamentals (tone quality,  
intonation, posture, and  
practice habits)

Led by SIUE faculty

<https://www.siu.edu/summer/camps/band-camp.shtml>



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



**BAND TOGETHER**  
*O'Fallon Parent Band Boosters*

**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\*](#)

**Trumpets**

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[\*Band Together - OTHS Trumpet Parents\*](#)

**Mellophones/Horns**

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

**Low Brass & Contrabass**

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

**Color Guard**

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[\*Band Together - OTHS Colorguard Parents\*](#)