Greetings OE Band Families,

First, thank you to everyone that showed up to the OMI volunteer meeting. We appreciate your willingness to give up your time on a weeknight to help make OMI a great day. I'm really looking forward to the festival, as I love to show off the amazing kids in our program and the families that support us.

As always, there's plenty going on this week with a Concert Band and Jazz Combo concert and OMI. Please read through everything and click the links to get further details.

Calendar is still at the end of the email...but it IS getting shorter 😊

Concert Band and Jazz Band Concert at OEHS Auditorium—Oct 1, call time 6:30, performance at 7:00 PM

Student should dress nicely. No jeans, no t-shirts, no flip flops or sneakers, no sweatpants or sweatshirts. Shirts should be tucked in, dresses and skirts need to be knee length or longer, and necklines should be conservative. We are going for a professional look. Please feel free to reach out to Ms. Fillingham if you do not feel you currently own attire that meets these requirements. We can help you out.

OMI INFO—Please read carefully!

Volunteers

- Please be sure to arrive 15-20 minutes before your volunteer shift to allow time to check in and go to your location.
- OE Band Students, please wear your **Drifit** shirt. Adult volunteers, wear whatever
 OE band spirit wear you have, or just orange and navy.
- More detailed volunteer job details and instructions can be found here: OMI VOLUNTEER PACKET:
- **Finals Schedule Change:** Please note that we have adjusted the schedule for finals to allow more times for bands to prepare for their second round of competition. The most current schedule is linked here: *OMI 2024 SCHEDULE*

• Performance Itinerary:

 7:45 PM—Arrive in uniform at CBAC. Bring your instrument, garment bag and shako box!

- Students and Booster/Crew family members will meet at the far
 NORTHEAST corner of the spectator parking lot (home side of stadium)
- Groom and plume, unload equipment and assemble props.
- 8:30 PM—Visual Warm up in parking lot
- o 8:50 PM—Travel to the wind/percussion music warm up field
- o 8:55 PM—Begin music warm-up
- o 9:25 PM—Travel to on deck
- 9:35 PM—On Deck/Staging
- o 9:45 PM—Performance
- o 10:00 PM—Finals awards
 - OE Band students will head back to the spectator lot, QUICKLY place uniforms in garment bags, and then begin stadium clean up.
 - Students may not leave until dismissed by Ms. Fillingham via a message in their group chat!

SMN Invitational and KBA

More detailed performance itineraries will come out next week, but our preliminary performance times for each of these festivals are set, as well as the time frame for finals. The full schedules are linked below so you can plan to come out and support the Brigade!

- SMN Invitational Festival Schedule—Oct 12
- KBA Marching Championship Festival Schedule—Oct 19

Senior Night—Oct 10

Seniors, please fill out the survey linked here to provide the information you would like read over the PA on senior night: *SENIOR NIGHT SURVEY*

All District Band/John Phillip Sousa Honor Band Auditions:

If you have not paid your audition fees, please do so ASAP!

• **KMEA All District Band**—Live auditions will be at Gardener Edgerton High School on Saturday, November 2. Students that sign up need to submit their \$18 registration fee to Ms. Fillingham by Friday, September 27. Checks should be made out to Olathe East High School.

- John Phillip Sousa Honor Band (Freshmen only)--Recorded auditions are due to Mr. Reed by Oct 10. Students that sign up to audition for JPS Honor Band need to submit their \$15 registration fee to Ms. Fillingham by Friday, September 27.
- As always, if the audition fees are a financial burden to your family, do not hesitate notify Ms. Fillingham.

CONCERT BAND Calendar at a Glance:

- Oct 1—Combined rehearsal during Advisory
- Oct 1—Concert Band/Jazz Combo Concert at OE. Call time 6:30 PM. Concert at 7:00.
- Oct 7—Olathe Marching Exhibition—Call time 5:15 to load buses.

MARCHING BAND Calendar at a Glance:

- Sep 30—Monday Night Rehearsal 6:30-8:30 PM
- Oct 5—Olathe Marching Invitational—ALL DAY. Band performs around 9:15 PM.
- Oct 7—Olathe Marching Exhibition 7:00 PM at CBAC. Call time 5:00 PM in band room
- Oct 10—Home football game at CBAC. Middle School Night! Senior Night! Glow Show!
- Oct 11—Marching rehearsal 1:00 PM-3:30 PM
- Oct 12—Shawnee Mission North Invitational—All day
- Oct 14—Monday Night Rehearsal 6:30-8:30 PM
- Oct 18—Marching Rehearsal 1:00-3:30 PM
- Oct 19—KBA!! All day