



Message sent from Olathe Public Schools

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Context: PA510-0111 - Marching Band (,), PA530-0141 - Jazz Band

Subject: Band Update 9/22/24

Greetings OE Band Families,

The next few weeks are pretty packed for both concert band and marching band. Please read through everything carefully! OMI is very short on adult volunteers in certain areas—so if you can take shift in an area of need, we'd be very grateful!

Also, I've moved the "Calendar at a Glance" to the end of this email, as it was getting to be more than "a glance" worth of items over the next month :)

HELP NEEDED! Olathe Marching Invitational (OMI) Volunteers:

We are very short on ADULT volunteers in certain areas. Use the link below to sign up for a shift if you are able. Please note that there will be a meeting at OEHS on September 24th for all OMI volunteers.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0A4CA8A722AAF5CF8-50954836-omivolunteer>

Spectator Parking

6:00-10:00 PM—0 volunteers, need at least 2

Bus Lot

10:00 AM-2:00 PM—0 volunteers, need at least 2

2:00 PM-6:00 PM—0 volunteers, need at least 2

6:00 PM-10:00 PM—0 volunteers, need at least 2

Truck Lot/Prop Gate

2:00 PM-6:00 PM—1 volunteer, need 1-2 more

6:00 PM-10:00 PM—0 volunteers, need at least 2

Warm Up Field Attendant

6:00 PM-10:00 PM—0 volunteers, need at least 2

Percussion Warm-up Attendant

2:00 PM-6:00 PM—0 volunteers, need 1

6:00 PM-10:00 PM—0 volunteers, need 1

Student Band Guide Coordinator
10:00 AM-3:00 PM—0 volunteers, need at least 1
4:00 PM-8:00 PM—0 volunteers, need at least 1
Nurse
2:00 PM-6:00 PM—0 volunteers, need 1
Video Board Operator
5:00 PM-10:00 PM—0 volunteers, need 1
Trash Crew Lead
6:00 PM-10:00 PM—0 volunteers, need 1
Clean Up Crew
9:30 PM-11:30 PM—3 volunteers, need 7 more

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 Sponsorship:

We are looking for event sponsors for the Olathe Marching Invitational! If you or someone you know has a business that would like to be featured via jumbotron commercial, banner, digital program ad, or live announcement during the Olathe Marching Invitational on October 5, please direct them to the flyer linked below and attached to this email. Sponsorships are tax deductible, and the money goes right back to the Olathe East and Olathe Northwest band programs!

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1qOXu9_78c7Wv8KNH9EySS6tJYIpaLprk/view?usp=sharing

If you or someone you know makes a contact with a potential sponsor, please make a note of on the document linked below:

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1Eb_HWj0ObRsQB9rN6FdcPdX1exjpizdUTdxXvpmMPDI/edit?usp=sharing

All District Band/John Phillip Sousa Honor Band Auditions:

Honor Band auditions always sneak up pretty quickly as marching season is winding down. Students need to sign up for auditions this week!

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.

Band Photos—Sep 27, 4:00 PM (This may change. Stay tuned for a final decision on this by Monday)

All marching band students will need to report for a photo in full uniform, and then small groups or individuals can have photos taken as time permits. Photos will be available for purchase by families shortly thereafter.

Homecoming Football Game at CBAC—Sep 27, bus departs after photos at 4:00 PM:

Note: we will perform our halftime show BEFORE the game due to Homecoming. Students will arrive in their DRIFIT SHIRT and be sure to have long black socks. All hair below chin length will need to be up away from the face and off the neck, and longer hair should be in a bun. Buses will leave at 5:20 for CBAC.

Special Arrangement Transportation Forms:

All students are required to ride the bus to and from performances (with the exception of OMI) If you need your student to arrive at or leave from a performance in some other way, you must fill out the special arrangement transportation form and hand it in BEFORE we depart for the event. The Special Arrangement Transportation Form can be found on the band website, or students can pick up a hard copy in the band office. No onsite transportation arrangements will be made.

FROM THE BOOSTERS:

Volunteer Opportunities:

We have introduced a new "Co-Chair" position in many of our key roles to create an opportunity for those that would like a chance to get some training and experience before taking on a role in the booster organization. This is a chance for family members to get involved without the risk of unknowingly taking on more responsibility than they bargained for. If you have ANY interest in pitching in any way. Please reach out to oehsbandboosters@gmail.com.

CONCERT BAND Calendar at a Glance:

Sep 16—Booster Meeting 6:00 PM in the band room—ALL ARE WELCOME!

Sep 24—Combined rehearsal during Advisory

Sep 25—Playing tests due

Sep 26—Combined rehearsal during Advisory

Sep 27—All District Band/John Philip Sousa Honor Band audition fees due

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 23—Monday Night Rehearsal 6:30-8:30 PM

Sep 24—Olathe Marching Invitational volunteer info meeting, 6:30 PM at OE—required for all students and adult OMI volunteers

Sep 27—BAND PHOTOS 4:00 PM (This may change! Stay tuned!)

Sep 27—Home football game at CBAC. Load buses after photos. Halftime show performance at 6:35 PM due to Homecoming. Game at 7:00 PM.

Sep 27—All District Band/John Philip Sousa Honor Band audition fees due.

Sep 28—Saturday Rehearsal 9:00-11:00 AM

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

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