

OTHS BANDS Director Notes

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR WINTERGUARDS on their excellent performances this weekend! JV placed 1st in Scholastic AA and Varsity placed 4th in Scholastic A. We are thankful for parents that served in supportive roles to help make the winter guards successful! Special thanks to our amazing instructors who guided both guards during their successful season!

Brandon Fink - Show Designer

Emily Navarro - Guard Director

John Langham - Guard Staff, OTHS Band Administrative Assistant

Ashley Kues - Guard Staff

Jordan Swierczek - Guard Staff

Week of April 8th

Monday, April 8 - Eclipse Day!

Tuesday, April 9 – After school Jazz Band – 3:15p.m. – 4:30p.m.

Wednesday, April 10 - Testing Day; Marching Band 5:30-8:30pm

Thursday, April 11 – Wind Ensemble - 3:00p.m. – 4:00p.m.; After School Jazz Band – 3:00p.m. – 4:30p.m.

Friday, April 12 – Music for All Set Up

Saturday, April 13 – Music for All - Milburn Auditorium (All Day)

*Students need to show up in concert attire - 30 minutes before their warm-up time. More information on this event will be sent out through skyward.

***2024 Student Leadership Interviews will begin during class on Monday, April 15**

Monday, April 15 - Drum Major Auditions

Tuesday, April 16 - Afterschool Jazz Band

Wednesday, April 17 - WE 3-4pm; Marching Band 5:30-8:30pm

Thursday, April 18 - Afterschool Jazz Band; Fine Arts Festival - WE performance - details to come!

Friday, April 19 - Yard Sale Set up.

Saturday, April 20 - Yard Sale; O That Jazz

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.

- April 10th - Smiley MPR (Multi-Purpose Room)
- May 15th
- June 19th
- No Meeting in July
- Aug. 21st
- Sept. 18th
- Oct. 23rd
- Nov. 20th
- Dec. 18th

ATTENTION



Parent Meeting - Wed. April 10th

Come at 6p.m. to the MPR (Multi-Purpose Room) at Smiley where we will vote on our upcoming budget as well as nominations for different positions.

****Following the booster meeting come for a “Band 101” meeting in the cafeteria and meet your Band Together Leads, learn about a variety of ways you can be a part of our band family.**

OFFICER NOMINATIONS 2024

In May, the Boosters will elect our officers for the upcoming year. We will be taking nominations for these roles at the next parent meeting in April. The following elected offices will be up for election:

- Vice President (elect 1 candidate to fill a 2-year term)
- Treasurer (elect 1 candidate to fill the second year of a 2-year term)
- Band Support Chairperson (elect two candidates with each having a one-year term)
- General Fundraising Chairperson (one year term)
- Student Fundraising Chairperson (one year term)

In addition to these elected offices, we are always looking for people to shadow or lead areas of need. Please reach out to anyone on the board if you are interested in lending your time and talents to the band.

If you have questions about any of the elected positions, please contact Vickie Aiello at vickie.aiello@gmail.com

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

- **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

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!

Spring Yard Sale

SATURDAY, APRIL 20 | 8AM-2PM

O'FALLON TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL - SMILEY CAMPUS

Donation drop-offs accepted
Friday, April 19, 4:00-8:00pm

*No couches, large dressers or tables, electronics, books,
or equipment powered by gas or oil*

All Proceeds Benefit O'Fallon Township High School Bands



**Volunteers are needed for this event. Please sign up in Charms.

O' THAT JAZZ

*A casual evening of friends,
fun & great music*



Saturday, April 20th, 2024

6p.m.

KC Hall – 5420 Old Collinsville Rd.

Upcoming Events:

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

5/27 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

2024 ILLINOIS SUPERSTATE SCHEDULE					
AS OF 3/27/24					
MIDDLE SCHOOL/JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL					
Performance	Friday, May 3	Loading Dock	Warm-Up	Warm-Up Location	Transition Time
9:00	Troy Middle School	8:20	8:30-9:00 AM	FGH STAGE	N/A
9:30	Traugber JHS	8:40	8:50-9:20 AM	Warm-Up 2 - CRR	9:20
10:00	Glenn Westlake Middle School	9:10	9:20-9:50 AM	Warm-Up 1 - ORR	9:50
10:30	BREAK				
10:45	O'Fallon District 90	9:55	10:05-10:35 AM	Warm-Up 2 - CRR	10:35
11:15	Wood Oaks Junior High School	10:25	10:35-11:05 AM	Warm-Up 1 - ORR	11:05
11:45	McCracken Middle School	10:55	11:05-11:35 AM	Warm-Up 2 - CRR	11:35
12:15 PM	LUNCH BREAK				
1:00 PM	Wilmette Junior High School	12:20 PM	12:30-1:00 PM	FGH STAGE	N/A
1:30 PM	Field Middle School - HONOR BAND	12:40 PM	12:50-1:20 PM	Warm-Up 1 - ORR	1:20 PM
2:00 PM	AWARDS CEREMONY - MS/JHS				
CLASS 1A					
2:30 PM	Champaign Central High School	1:50 PM	2:00-2:30 PM	FGH STAGE	N/A
3:00 PM	Vernon Hills High School	2:10 PM	2:20-2:50 PM	Warm-Up 1 - ORR	2:50 PM
3:30 PM	Urbana High School	2:40 PM	2:50-3:20 PM	Warm-Up 2 - CRR	3:20 PM
4:00 PM	Triad High School	3:10 PM	3:20-3:50 PM	Warm-Up 1 - ORR	3:50 PM
4:30 PM	Highland High School	3:40 PM	3:50-4:20 PM	Warm-Up 2 - CRR	4:20 PM
5:00 PM	Lemont High School	4:10 PM	4:20-4:50 PM	Warm-Up 1 - ORR	4:50 PM
5:30 PM	DINNER				
6:30 PM	Marian Catholic HS Band	5:50 PM	6:00-6:30 PM	FGH STAGE	6:20 PM
7:00 PM	Tinley Park High School	6:10 PM	6:20-6:50 PM	Warm-Up 1 - ORR	6:50 PM
7:30 PM	Morton High School - HONOR BAND	6:40 PM	6:50-7:20 PM	Warm-Up 2 - CRR	7:20 PM
8:00 PM	ILLINOIS WIND ORCHESTRA			Warm-Up 1 - ORR	7:50 PM
8:30 PM	AWARDS CEREMONY - CLASS 1A				

2024 ILLINOIS SUPERSTATE SCHEDULE					
AS OF 3/27/24					
CLASS 2A					
Performance	Saturday, May 4	Loading Dock	Warm-Up	Warm-Up Location	Transition Time
8:30	Rolling Meadows High School	7:50	8:00-8:30 AM	FGH STAGE	N/A
9:00	Plainfield Central High School	8:10	8:20-8:50 AM	Warm-Up 1 - ORR	8:50
9:30	Buffalo Grove High School	8:40	8:50-9:20 AM	Warm-Up 2 - CRR	9:20
10:00	Collinsville High School	9:10	9:20-9:50 AM	Warm-Up 1 - ORR	9:50
10:30	BREAK				
10:45	Maine South High School	9:55	10:05-10:35 AM	Warm-Up 2 - CRR	10:35
11:15	Libertyville High School	10:25	10:35-11:05 AM	Warm-Up 1 - ORR	11:05
11:45	John Hersey High School - HONOR BAND	10:55	11:05-11:35 AM	Warm-Up 2 - CRR	11:35
12:15 PM	LUNCH				
1:00 PM	MASTER CLASSES				
CLASS 3A					
2:00 PM	Zion-Benton Township High School	1:20 PM	1:30-2:00 PM	FGH STAGE	N/A
2:30 PM	Evanston Township High School	1:40 PM	1:50-2:20 PM	Warm-Up 1 - ORR	2:20 PM
3:00 PM	William Fremd High School	2:10 PM	2:20-2:50 PM	Warm-Up 2 - CRR	2:50 PM
3:30 PM	O'Fallon Township High School	2:40 PM	2:50-3:20 PM	Warm-Up 1 - ORR	3:20 PM
4:00 PM	BREAK				
4:15 PM	Waubonsie Valley High School	3:25 PM	3:35-4:05 PM	Warm-Up 2 - CRR	4:05 PM
4:45 PM	Downers Grove South High School	3:55 PM	4:05-4:35 PM	Warm-Up 1 - ORR	4:35 PM
5:15 PM	Lyons Township High School	4:25 PM	4:35-5:05 PM	Warm-Up 2 - CRR	5:05 PM
5:45 PM	DINNER				
6:45 PM	Lockport Township High School	6:05 PM	6:15-6:45 PM	FGH STAGE	N/A
7:15 PM	Oswego High School - HONOR BAND	6:35 PM	6:45-7:05 PM	Warm-Up 2 - CRR	7:05 PM
7:45 PM	ILLINOIS WIND SYMPHONY			Warm-Up 1 - ORR	7:35 PM
8:15 PM	AWARDS CEREMONY - CLASS 2A and 3A				

SCHOOL SCHEDULE AND INFORMATION FOR THE TOTAL SOLAR ECLIPSE

Monday, April 8th, 2024

SCHOOL SCHEDULE FOR April 8th, 2024

PERIOD	MILBURN	SMILEY	LENGTH OF PERIOD
Early Bird		7:10 – 7:55	45 minutes
1 ST	7:30 – 8:20	8:00 – 8:45	50/ 45 minutes
2 ND	8:25 – 9:15	8:50 – 9:35	50/ 45 minutes
3 RD	9:20 – 10:10	9:40 – 10:35 3B – 10:10-10:35	50/55 minutes
4 TH	10:15 – 11:10 4A – 10:15 – 10:40 4B – 10:45 – 11:10	10:40 – 11:35 4A – 10:40-11:05 4B – 11:10-11:35	55 minutes
5 TH	11:15 – 12:10 5A – 11:15– 11:40 5B – 11:45 – 12:10	11:40 – 12:35 5A – 11:40-12:05 5B – 12:10-12:35	55 minutes
6 TH	12:15 – 1:05	12:40 – 1:25	50/ 45 minutes
7 TH	1:10-2:25 (Viewing 1:45-2:10)	1:30 – 2:55 (Viewing 1:45-2:10)	75/ 85 minutes

Solar Eclipse Viewing Information

All students at OTHS with a signed permission slip will be observing the solar eclipse during their 7th hour. All students who participate must wear protective eye wear to view the eclipse.

Viewing Timeline:

The partial eclipse is expected to begin at 12:42 PM. The total eclipse will occur at about 1:59 PM with a maximum duration of about 4 minutes.

Graduation Raffle tickets are on sale:

\$5 each or (5) for \$20.

To purchase tickets, email: president@othsband.com or buy them in person at Booster Parent Meetings (March 13 & April 12)

We will have (2) winners, and each will receive a pair of tickets to the 2024 OTHS Graduation Ceremony. Winners will be announced on Saturday, April 27th.

Tickets will be available to purchase between March 13th and April 24th.



JOIN THE 2024 OTHS COLOR GUARD



WHEN AND WHERE?
APRIL 23RD 24TH AND 25TH
6-9PM AT THE MILBURN
MAIN GYM. NO EXPERIENCE
NECESSARY!

Scan the QR code to fill out the interest form. Equipment will be provided. If you have questions email coach Emily at emilynavarro96@gmail.com

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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618-806-2901

[*Band Together - OTHS Clarinet Parents*](#)

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

All Saxophones

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[*Band Together - OTHS Saxophone 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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