

OTHS BANDS Director Notes

We are so proud of the individual student progress and look forward to our first performance of the year at the Red Bud Parade!

Schedule this week:

Monday-Wednesday - 7am-11am

Tuesday - Full rehearsal from 7am-10am

10am will be for small sectionals for the students to work on details for the performance.

*Wednesday's rehearsal will end at 10:30am for us to load and organize the performance on the 4th.

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

America's Birthday Parade Tips ~ Friends and Family ~ July 4, 2024

If your student is NOT riding home on the bus, be sure to use the Google form

We usually watch the parade near the judging stands and the end of the route. Follow the link for more information about the parade (directions, parking, route) [America's Birthday Parade Information](#)

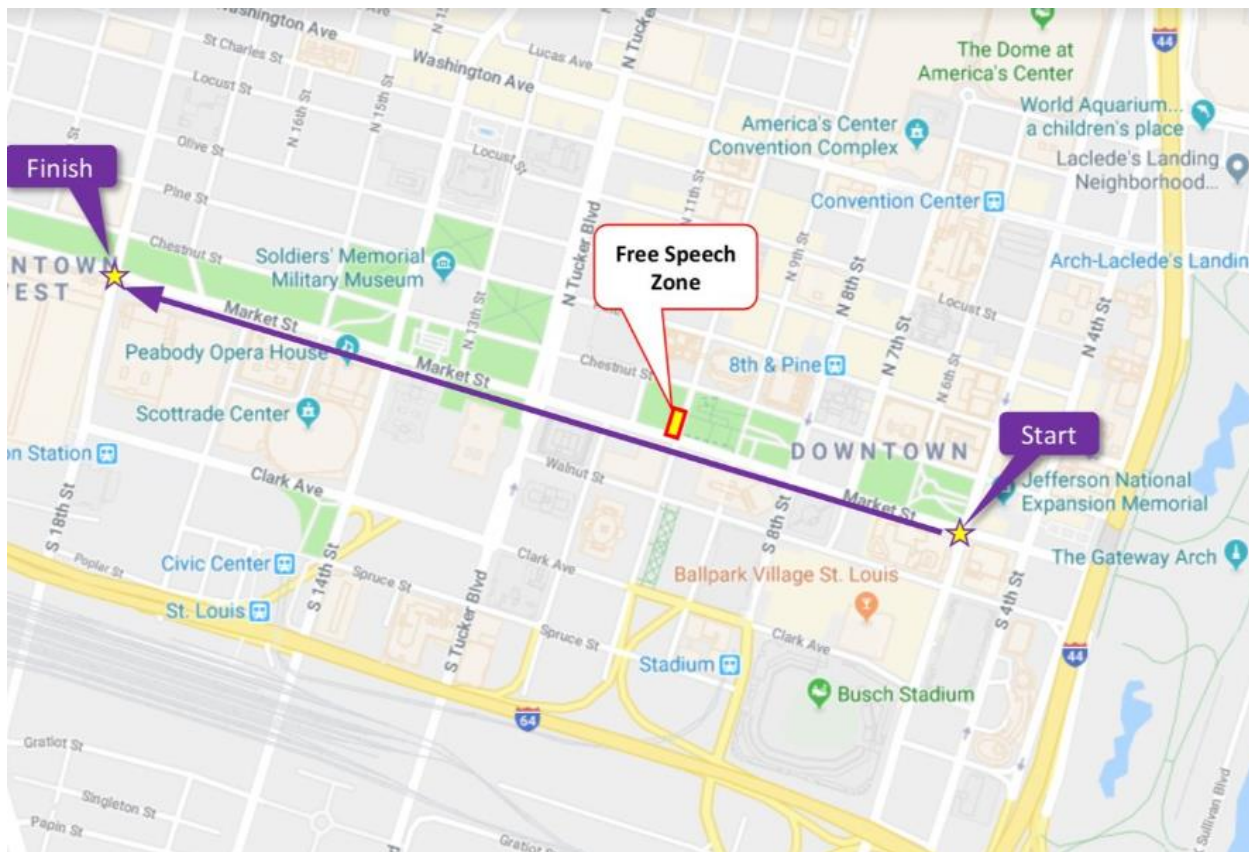
BAND JUDGES and TV

Band judges are typically located on the RIGHT SIDE OF THE BAND at:
11th & Market and 15th & Market. TV will be on your right at the beginning.

AWARD CEREMONY

The award ceremony will be held immediately following the parade at Aloe Plaza north of Union Station at 19th & Market.

Just a reminder to cheer for **ALL** the bands! Our kids work really hard, so do those in other bands. We've received thank you notes from other band directors saying their kids commented how nice it was that the O'Fallon parents cheered for them. Those gold shirts attract a lot of attention, please always keep that in mind.



2024 Boutique News

The store is now open for band and color guard jackets. Please use the following link to order: <https://pantherbandgear.ggiww.com>. The store will close on Sunday, July 7th @ midnight. If you would like your jacket personalized, please remember to put your personalization request in the comment section when you order.

Sample jackets will be available to try on, inside the main doors of the Smiley Campus, on the following days and times:

Monday, July 1st: 11:00 am - 12:00 pm

Tuesday, July 2nd: 5:00 pm - 6:00 pm

Wednesday, July 3rd: 11:00 am - 12:00 pm

Sizing may have changed from previous years, so please consider trying on even if you have ordered in the past.

Email any questions to pantherbandsboutique@gmail.com.



REHEARSAL DROP-OFF & PICK-UP



Reminder to all marching band students and parents, 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.

- **No Meeting in July**
- Aug. 21st
- Sept. 18th
- Oct. 23rd
- Nov. 20th
- Dec. 18th

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

Attendance Form

**Marching Band Attendance Form for Absence or Late Arrivals:*

[CLICK HERE](#) for the link. This link is also on the band website for easy access.

Student Pick-Up Event Form

[CLICK HERE](#) for the link. This link can be used for all events.

Pictures

<https://marchingpanthers.smugmug.com>

Password: Tarp (case-sensitive)

Spiritwear:

- O-Band Store – spirit wear not offered in our boutique
<https://othsband.com/store>
- 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

CutTime: Marc Ellington is our POC for this program. You can email him at: Marc.Ellington@outlook.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 / Etc.

Band App: <https://band.us/n/a7a29bX6I554H>

Used to communicate quick messages.



UPCOMING VOLUNTEER EVENTS

- 7/22 – 8/2 Band Camp
- 8/16 – 8/17 Fall Yard Sale (Required for Senior Families and Sophomore Families)
- 8/17 Mattress Sale
- 9/6 Football Game (Concessions)
- 9/7 MEMC (Required Parent Shifts)
- 9/13 Senior Night – Football Game (Concessions)
- 9/20 Football Game (Concessions)

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!

FUNDRAISER NIGHT 

20% OF SALES BENEFITS THE O'FALLON TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL MARCHING PANTHERS!

Tuesday, July 9, 2024
729 W Hwy 50 Ste. C, O'Fallon, IL | (618) 632-5167

Use Code **SZ** Online orders: Enter this code in the coupon code section.
In-store and phone orders: Mention code upon ordering.



[Click Here](#) to view current bonuses

SUMMER SCHEDULE FOR PHYSICAL CARD ORDERS:

Wednesday, June 12, 2024

Wednesday, July 15, 2024

Wednesday, August 21, 2024

WHAT IS RAISERIGHT?

Make money on your everyday purchases by ordering gift cards and earning a percent off every gift card you purchase. Take a look at the site to see what options are available.

Create your free RaiseRight account in minutes to start earning

Sign up online

1. Complete the quick sign-up form either on the website or mobile app

- Download the RaiseRight app
- Visit RaiseRight.com/enroll



2. Select "Join a Program"

3. Enter the organization's unique enrollment code: **DBAAECD217989** to tie your earnings to **O'Fallon Panther Band Boosters**

4. Complete the fields to create your account

5. Enter and verify your phone number for 2-step verification (2-step verification protects your account if you forget your password or someone is using your account without your permission)

Congratulations! You've created your account.

Grand American Trapshooting Fundraiser 2024

The Grand American World Trapshooting Championships, annually held in Sparta, IL at the World Shooting & Recreational Complex, is the largest shooting event of its kind. Spanning several days with more than 20 events shooters from all over the globe come to compete in hopes of claiming one of the available prestigious titles such as “Clay Target Champion”

Dates: 7/27 – 8/10

Details:

- *At least 10 volunteers needed to help run event
- *Shifts will run 8:00a.m. – 5:00p.m.
- *Jobs include - Score Keeping, Loading Trap Houses
- *75% profits can be allocated to student account
- *25% profit allocated to Booster account



Please email Wes Harris at elwh050709@gmail.com if you are interested in volunteering or have questions.

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 questions to gain access.



BAND TOGETHER

O'Fallon Panther Band Boosters

Flutes & Piccolos

Keri Hoffmann
keri1231@gmail.com
 618-530-5374

[OTHS Flutes and Piccolo Band Together](#)

All Clarinets, Oboes & Bassoons

Rachel Johnson
Racheljohnson0414@gmail.com
 618-806-2901

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

All Saxophones

Erika Huff
erikausaf2011@gmail.com
 618-670-7089

[Band Together - OTHS Saxophone Parents](#)

Percussion (Front Ensemble & Drumline)

Sarah Koester *Mallory Andros*
sarahjimkoester@gmail.com *mallorykandros@yahoo.com*
 618-973-6732 816-739-5080

[Band Together - OTHS Battery & Front Ensemble](#)

Trumpets

Brenda Redmond
Brenda.wiltanger@gmail.com
 314-562-2949

[Band Together - OTHS Trumpet Parents](#)

Mellophones/Horns

Megan Aylor-Burr
mlab1086@hotmail.com
 618-593-6984

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

Low Brass & Contrabass

Ruth Kampwerth *Nicole Hancock*
ruthkampwerth@gmail.com *nikihanc@hotmail.com*
 618 920-7633 618-604-7861

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

Color Guard

Leigh Meyer *Candice Rapini*
leighmeyer2520@gmail.com *candicerapini@gmail.com*
 618-960-5725 618-670-4600

[Band Together - OTHS Colorguard Parents](#)

Upcoming Events:

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 Volunteer

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