

# **OE Band Update with Forms**

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#### Parents and Students:

We are off to a great start this year! Marching band has been up and rolling for several weeks, but now we have concert band, jazz band, and percussion classes started as well. I am excited to work with this great group of students this year!

#### Calendar

Attached to this email is a calendar for the year. It has every band event except for basketball pep band dates. Some dates are only for marching band students and some are only for jazz or concert band students. Events like the Winter Concert and the Spring Concert include all students. We are still working on getting a finalized calendar for pep band and didn't want to send out dates that might need to be changed. If dates happen to change we will email parents and students. The calendar that is on the band website at www.oeband will always be the most up to date place to check the calendar.

#### Forms and Fees Night/OE Open House

On Thursday, August 19th we will be having our Forms and Fees Night in conjunction with the OE Open House. The band room (room 415) will be open from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. for parents to come and take care of their forms. I am not sure what time they are opening the main doors so you might want to enter door Z on the West side of the building (which enters directly into the band room). We have mandatory forms that are required by KSHSAA and the Olathe School District for participation in our activity. **Those forms attached to this email!** The medical form does not have to be notarized this year which should really help make things easier! Students who have not turned in their paper work will not be allowed to participate in the first performance. We will have hard copies available here if you do not have a printer, but if you want to fill them out before hand and drop them off it will make your evening easier.

Regarding fees, the only actual fees are for marching band students who need to purchase their dry fit shirt, marching shoes, and gloves (for woodwinds and brass). Dry fit shirt is \$12. Marching shoes are \$35 and gloves are \$5. We will accept checks made out to Olathe East on Thursday night for these fees. If you are not able to come we will be setting a payment office through the front office for everyone else.

Instead of a "band fee" like most schools charge, the boosters ask for a suggested contribution. This is not required, but is how we fund a large portion of the booster activities. If you cannot afford the entire amount at once we accept it in payments spread out over the year or later in the year. We are thankful for anything that families are able to contribute. We recognize that the pandemic has put some families in very tough financial situations, which is why we do not call it a fee or require payment.

For students in marching band the suggested contribution is \$300. For students in concert band the suggested contribution is \$50. We will accept checks made out to the Olathe East Band Boosters for the suggested contribution.

#### **Band Spirit Wear**

We are using a new vendor for our spirit wear this year. Below is the link. Pay online and the merchandise will ship directly to you! Especially for parents of students in marching band, it is great when we can look up in the stands at a competition and see a lot of Orange and Blue up in the stands!

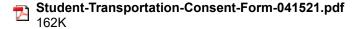
## https://maeby-prints.myshopify.com/

### **Band Trip**

I tried really hard to reach out to everyone last year and let them know about the band trip to Los Angeles that we are going on this spring. However, with students moving in and coming to us from so many different middle schools we have had some students express interest in signing up for the trip. We have already had students sign-up and have collected the first couple payments. However, it is not too late to sign-up but we would need move quickly if your child would like to join the trip. If you would like information please email me directly and I can send more information. For everyone that is signed-up we will be sending out information about the next trip fundraiser very soon.

Thanks, Mr. Smikahl

#### 5 attachments



Medical Form 2021.pdf 617K

Booster Forms 2021.pdf 358K

Substance-Abuse-Form-100620.pdf 292K

2021- 2022 Print Calendar Final.pdf 53K