



LANCASTER BAND BOOSTERS

April 2017

The Lancaster Band Boosters enhance the overall band experience, by working directly with the directors of the band program. Membership is open to all parents and guardians, alumni, alumni parents, and interested community members. Regular meetings are held on the first Monday of the month beginning at 7:30pm in the Lancaster High School Band Room.

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Symphonic Band OMEA State Large Group Adjudicated Event



Saturday, April 29th

Gahanna-Lincoln High School

FROM THE DIRECTOR OF BANDS

March has been a fantastic month for the Lancaster High Schools Bands. The Lancaster High School Symphonic Band received a "Superior" rating and Freshman Band received an "Excellent" rating at the Ohio Music Education Association District XV Large Group Adjudicated Event held on Saturday, March 4 at Teays Valley High School. We wish to congratulate all the students for their hard work and commendable performances.

As a result of their "Superior" rating, Symphonic Band will be progressing to State Large Group Adjudicated Event on Saturday, April 29 at Gahanna-Lincoln High School. We look forward to seeing a large, supportive audience from Lancaster on that day!

I would like to express my gratitude to the parents and students who assisted at the Lancaster City Schools Junior High Solo and Ensemble Festival. It was a very positive and successful day for our Junior High band members. Our students are to be commended for their professionalism and musicianship. 42 Superior Ratings and 11 Excellent Ratings were awarded to our soloists and ensembles. Congratulations!

The Swinging Gales are making final preparations for the annual Jazz Dinner Dance, taking place on Saturday, April 1. On March 22, the band was fortunate to have the Ohio University Jazz Band at Lancaster High School to perform and work with our students. We want to thank the Ohio University School of Music for adding Lancaster as a stop on their tour this year.

Many exciting spring concerts will be coming up in the next several weeks. We certainly hope all of you can join us at these wonderful events in order to showcase the hard work of our students.

Benjamin E. Factor
Director of Bands,
Lancaster High School

FROM THE BAND BOOSTER PRESIDENT

Congratulations to the concert bands on their fantastic performances at Teays Valley for the OMEA District Large Group Adjudicated Event on Saturday, March 4th. The students and directors worked very hard to prepare for this event. The Symphonic Band will be performing at the end of April for the State OMEA Competition. Please come and support our Symphonic Band.

The Band Booster scholarship applications have been handed out to the seniors. If your student was not in band and did not receive their application, please see Mr. Factor. The applications are due on Friday, May 5th at 3:00pm. I encourage all seniors who are planning on furthering their education through a college, university, or a technical/trade school to fill out an application.

I encourage all of you to support our Jazz Band at the Swinging Gales Dinner Dance on April 1st. These students have worked very hard to prepare for this event. I know it will be an exciting evening.

Please plan on attending our next band booster meeting on Monday, April 3rd at 7:30pm in the band room.

Beth Wing
Band Booster President

END OF THE YEAR VIDEO

Pictures are needed from band activities this school year for the DVD for the End of the Year Banquet. Pictures can include football games, competitions, band camp performance, parades, etc. Please email any pictures to Dean and Debbie Cook at cookdd@hotmail.com or give them a CD with your pictures on it.

For all seniors, we would like three pictures from each of you. We want a baby picture, childhood picture, and a senior/current picture.

Please start collecting your band pictures and sending them in now.

FUNDRAISING

Please remember to use the Amazon Smile program provided by Amazon. Follow the link below and the band will earn a small reward with each purchase. This works seamlessly with your existing Amazon account if you already have one.

<http://smile.amazon.com/ch/31-6077693>

MAY 1ST PARENT MEETING

2017-2018 LHS Band Parents,

Please mark your calendars for Monday, May 1st at 7pm for our annual *Band Parent Meeting*. This meeting is required for all parents of next year's high school band members. The meeting will take place in the LHS cafeteria.

Students will receive an envelope of paperwork in April that should be completed and turned in at this meeting in order to secure a spot in the high school band program.

MATTRESS SALE

On Saturday, May 20, the Band Boosters will be hosting a "Mattress Sale" at Lancaster High School.

While this may seem like an unusual fundraising idea to some, we are very excited as this has been extremely profitable for other area band programs. The most important part is... *we do not have to sell anything!* We just need you to spread the word and refer those you know.

More information will be e-mailed at a later date. It will also be discussed briefly at our May 1st Parent Meeting. In the meantime, please mention this to your family and friends. If they plan to purchase a mattress, pillow, or sheets in the next few months, ask them to wait and support the Lancaster Band Program.

2017 BAND BOOSTER MEETINGS

- April 3, 2017
- May 1, 2017
- June 5, 2017

Meetings take place at 7:30pm in the LHS band room.

UPCOMING PERFORMANCES

Saturday, April 1	Jazz Band Dinner Dance
April 28 or 29	OMEA State Adjudicated Event
May 12 and 13	Percussion Ensemble Concert
Thursday, May 18	Spring Band Concert
Sunday, May 28	LHS Graduation
Monday, May 29	Memorial Day Parade

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

2017 MARCHING BAND FAMILIES:

BAND CAMP

July 30 – August 4
(University of Rio Grande)

MARCHING BAND CONTESTS

September 9
September 16
October 7
October 21

OMEA STATE MARCHING BAND FINALS

October 28 and 29
November 3, 4, and 5

MARCHING BAND UNIFORMS

Summer fittings:

Thursday, June 15th - 5-8pm
Tuesday, June 20th - 5-8pm

Full uniforms:

Saturday, July 1 st	9am-noon (new students) 1-3pm (returning students)
Saturday, July 8 th	9am-noon (new students) 1-3pm (returning students)

APRIL 2017

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					March 31 Dinner Dance Dress Rehearsal	April 1 Swinging Gales Dinner Dance
2	3 Band Booster Meeting, 7:30pm	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12 Percussion Ensemble Elementary Tour	13	14	15
				Spring Break – NO SCHOOL		
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
Spring Break – NO SCHOOL						
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30					OMEA State Large Group Adjudicated Event	

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