

# LANCASTER BAND BOOSTERS

# **June 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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# Band of Gold Fun Night

Saturday, June 3, 2017 7:00-10:00 p.m.

### For all Band of Gold students

Pizza will be provided. All returning students should bring a snack, cookies, or a 2 liter of pop to share.



Congratulations to our Seniors: Bret Baker, Joseph Blaisdell, Candace Bowe, Isaac Brown, Matthew Burns, Michelle Ellerman, Cody Feisel, Mallory Good, Michael Guerriero, Leah Higgins, Kallan Imhoff, Kyrstin Kellenbarger, Jade McMullen, Scott Middaugh, Malik Moss, Brittney Notestone, Adria Peters, Catherine Peters, Morgan Philbrick, Caleb Pingle, Hannah Robinson, Tyler Stevens, Cory Towe, Taisha Valenzuela, Katherine Voight, Chase Wilson, Kelsey Wilson, Lesley Wilson, and Sydney Wilson

#### FROM THE DIRECTOR OF BANDS

Choose to Take Ownership

Being a member of the band program is more than just choosing an activity. Being a parent of a band member means more than responding to an email to help out for a few hours for a fundraising event. Sadly, there are some band programs where this is the norm. They are not successful, however, and their band members do not receive the same experience as those in other programs where students and parents take "ownership".

Students have the best experience in band programs where directors, band members, and parents all take ownership in their band program. The skills and talents of each individual can help the entire band program if everyone is willing to step forward and do their part. The skills of the directors and a few dedicated band boosters is nothing compared to the wealth of knowledge and talent that exists in the entire program.

How Band Members Can Take Ownership

- Practice regularly. Band members are in complete control of improving their skill level. Focused, goal-oriented, individual practicing will make a significant difference in one's playing.
- Take private lessons. Choosing to make this investment shows that a band member wants to get better and take control of his or her playing ability.
- Use your talents to help. Band members can show leadership in other ways than just in rehearsal. Every student has abilities that can be useful to the band. Don't wait for a director to ask. Find something that needs done or could be improved and present the idea.

How Parents Can Take Ownership

- Seek out opportunities for your student to improve. The directors make it easy to find extra opportunities for students. Honor bands, professional performances, and private lessons are just some of the things that are available.
- Jump in and help. Be the first one to offer to help when volunteers are needed and don't wait to be asked. It is always difficult to recruit volunteers because everyone thinks "someone else will do it."
- Find a place where you can make a difference. Everyone's schedules are different, but those who value the band program will always find a small way to help. It may even seem like an insignificant task, but it can be extremely helpful to the band.

When the marching band is dismissed the director says "Band Dismissed", and the collective response from the band is "With Pride, Sir!" Showing "pride" in the band program is something everyone can do. This is what successful programs do. I encourage everyone during this upcoming year to ask, "How can I take ownership?"

Ben Factor Director of Bands, Lancaster High School

#### FROM THE BAND BOOSTER PRESIDENT

I am excited to be your band booster president again this year. I have been involved with the band for six years. My son Michael played the saxophone and graduated in 2015. My daughter Alexia plays the clarinet and will be a senior this fall.

This past school year has really flown by. This is a time to reflect on the past year. All the students have made many wonderful memories to cherish. They have made many new friends, survived band camp, received awards at contests, seasonal band concerts, percussion ensemble, and the list goes on and on. This year the marching band received a Superior at the state marching band contest, and the Symphonic Band received a Superior at the state large group contest. Congratulations to all of you! You have made us all very proud with what you have accomplished.

I also want to say a big Congratulations to all of the seniors. You all have worked very hard during your time in band. Good luck in your future as you leave LHS. Congratulations to the seniors who received scholarships from the band boosters- Joe Blaisdell, Matthew Burns, Michelle Ellerman, Mallory Good, Leah Higgins, and Kallan Imhoff (Charles F. Smith Memorial Scholarship).

I want to thank everyone who helped with the end of the year banquet. Many band boosters were involved in helping with this evening whether it was set up or clean up or anything in between. Thank you also to Dean and Debbie Cook and family for making another fabulous end of the year video.

I want to thank all of the band booster officers and committee chairs of this past year. You all have worked very hard and made it a very successful year for our band students. I cannot thank each and every one of you enough.

Please plan on attending our next band booster meeting on Monday, June 5th at 7:30pm in the band room.

Beth Wing

**Band Booster President** 

#### **BAND BOOSTER MEETING**

The next band booster meeting is Monday, June 5, 2017 at 7:30pm in the band room at Lancaster High School.

# BAND OF GOLD INVITATIONAL Saturday, September 16, 2017

There will be an informational meeting on Monday, June 5<sup>th</sup>, at 8:30pm following the band booster meeting, in the band room at Lancaster High School. This meeting is for anyone interesting in helping with the Invitational.

#### **FUNDRAISING**

Please remember to use the Amazon Smile program when buying graduation gifts or outfitting college dorm rooms. 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

Remember to enroll in the Kroger Community Rewards program benefiting Lancaster Band Boosters. If you already enrolled, remember to re-enroll each year. You will need to register at https://www.kroger.com/communityrewards and select Lancaster Band Boosters #80120 as the choice for their non-profit organization.

Please welcome Dana Travis as Fundraising Co-Chairman. Her help will be very much appreciated as we look forward to another busy season.

Mark Molnar Fundraising Co-Chairman



Congratulations to the 2017 Lancaster Band Booster Scholarship recipients:

Kallan Imhoff (the recipient of the Charles F. Smith Memorial Scholarship), Leah Higgins, Mallory Good, Joe Blaisdell, Matt Burns, and Michelle Ellerman.

Congratulations to Matt Burns, the recipient of the John Philip Sousa Award.

#### **BAND OF GOLD UNIFORMS**

#### SUMMER UNIFORMS

Thursday, June 15th - 5-8pm

Tuesday, June 20th - 5-8pm

Uniform distribution will be in the band room at LHS. This is for all incoming freshmen/first year marchers and any upperclassmen needing summer uniform items. Upperclassmen need to check to make sure that their summer uniform and marching band shoes still fit properly. This is the only opportunity for students to be measured for marching band shoes.

Summer Uniform Polo Shirt	\$14.00		
Summer Uniform Shorts	\$23.00		
Marching Band Shoes	\$30.00		
Uniform Maintenance Fee	\$35.00		

All items must be paid for on June 15<sup>th</sup> or June 20<sup>th</sup>. Cash will not be accepted. Make checks payable to the Lancaster Band Boosters. If you have any questions, please contact Debbi Hoagland at pdhoagland@juno.com.

#### **FULL UNIFORMS**

Saturday, July 1<sup>st</sup> 9am-noon (new students)

1-3pm (returning students)

Saturday, July 8<sup>th</sup> 9am-noon (new students)

1-3pm (returning students)

#### MARK YOUR CALENDARS

#### **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

JUNE 2017							
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	
				1	2	3 Marching Band Show Reveal and "Fun Night", 7- 10:00pm	
4	5 Snare Drum Sectional 10:30am-12pm  Bells Sectional 2-3:30pm  Band Booster Meeting, 7:30pm	6 Toms Sectional 8:45-10:30am  Crash Cymbals Sectional 10:30am-12pm  Bass Drum Sectional 2-3:30pm	7 Snare Drum Sectional 10:30am-12pm Bells Sectional 2-3:30pm	8 Toms Sectional 8:45-10:30am  Crash Cymbals Sectional 10:30am-12pm  Bass Drum Sectional 2-3:30pm	9	10	
11	12 Snare Drum Sectional 10:30am-12pm Bells Sectional 2-3:30pm	13 Toms Sectional 8:45-10:30am  Crash Cymbals Sectional 10:30am-12pm  Bass Drum Sectional 2-3:30pm	14 Snare Drum Sectional 10:30am-12pm Bells Sectional 2-3:30pm	15 Toms Sectional 8:45-10:30am  Crash Cymbals Sectional 10:30am-12pm  Bass Drum Sectional 2-3:30pm  Summer Uniform Fittings, 5-8pm	16 Full Percussion Sectional 2-5pm	17	
18	19 Student Leadership Retreat 9am  Snare Drum Sectional 10:30am-12pm  Bells Sectional 2-3:30pm	20 Toms Sectional 8:45-10:30am  Saxophone Sectional 9:30-11am  Crash Cymbals Sectional 10:30am-12pm  Flute Sectional 11am-12:30pm  Trombone Sectional 11am-12:30pm  Sousaphone Sectional 1:30-3pm  Bass Drum Sectional 2-3:30pm  Clarinet Sectional 3-4:30pm  Mellophone Sectional 3-4:30pm  Summer Uniform Fittings 5-8pm	21 Trombone Sectional 9:30-11am  Snare Drum Sectional 10:30am-12pm  Flute Sectional 11am-12:30pm  Mellophone Sectional 11am-12:30pm  Trumpet Sectional 1:30-3pm  Bells Sectional 2-3:30pm  Sousaphone Sectional 3-4:30pm	Trumpet Sectional 8:45-10:30am  Trumpet Sectional 9:30-11am  Crash Cymbals Sectional 10:30am-12pm  Clarinet Sectional 11am-12:30pm  Saxophone Sectional 1:30-3pm  Bass Drum Sectional 2-3:30pm	23 FULL BAND REHEARSAL 9am-12pm	24	
25	26 Full Percussion Sectional 9am-12pm	27 FULL BAND REHEARSAL 9am-12pm Flute Sectional 1-2:30pm Mellophone Sectional 1-2:30pm Sousaphone Sectional 2:30-4pm Full Percussion Sectional 6-9pm	28 FULL BAND REHEARSAL 9am-12pm Saxophone Sectional 1-2:30pm Full Percussion Sectional 2-5pm Trumpet Sectional 2:30-4pm	29 FULL BAND REHEARSAL 9am-12pm  Clarinet Sectional 1-2:30pm  Trombone Sectional 1-2:30pm  Full Percussion Sectional 6-9pm	30 Full Percussion Sectional 9am-12pm	July 1 Full Percussion Sectional 9am-12pm  Full uniform fittings New students, 9am-noon Returning students, 1-3pm	

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