

# LANCASTERS BAND BOOSTERS

# January 2018

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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### FROM THE DIRECTOR OF BANDS

For many of us, this season is a time of careful reflection of the past year and great hopefulness of the year ahead. It is my hope that the new year will bring a renewed sense of excitement and enjoyment in the many experiences we are offering our band members in the Lancaster City Schools.

Please allow me to share the exciting things coming ahead for the Lancaster Bands in the new year. The next few weeks are a very important time for our band members to continue developing their individual and group musicianship. Though our next concert is still many weeks away, it is over the next few weeks that the heart of our band program, our concert bands, is refined and developed. During the month of January, Freshman Band and Symphonic Band will begin careful preparation of contest literature that will be performed at OMEA Large Group Adjudicated Event on March 9 or 10. Similar to a novel in English class, the selections chosen by our directors to perform are among the best and most educationally valuable of the band repertoire. We will be excited to share these pieces with you at our Winter Concert on Thursday, March 1.

In addition to the work done in our larger ensembles, band members will also be very busy this month preparing music for OMEA Solo and Ensemble Adjudicated Event. Soloists should be practicing daily and meeting with his or her private lesson instructor weekly. Ensembles should be rehearsing with a director regularly in order to prepare properly. Solo and Ensemble will be held on Saturday, January 27 at Pickerington North High School.

Lastly, we congratulate the following Lancaster High School band members who will be participating in this year's All-County Band. These select musicians will rehearse with other band members from Fairfield County during the day on Wednesday, January 10 and perform that same evening for a full auditorium. This year's guest conductor is Dr. John Owen, retired band director from Heidelberg University.

Kalli Bohach, Tenor Saxophone Riley Griffith, Clarinet Mary Huber, Clarinet Olivia Maynard, Flute Lauren Parrett, Flute Ariane Penix, Flute Molly Price, Alto Saxophone Taya Tennant, Flute JT Travis, Trumpet

For more information about this year's All-County Band, please visit the "Events" page on the Lancaster Bands web site. Congratulations to these great musicians for representing our band program!

Benjamin E. Factor Director of Bands, Lancaster High School

### FROM THE BAND BOOSTER PRESIDENT

I hope everyone had a Merry Christmas and was able to see the Swinging Gales Jazz Band, Flute Duet, Percussion Ensemble, Freshman Band, and Symphonic Band in their holiday concert in December. Each of the bands did a wonderful job. I loved all of their holiday music.

Pep Band and Jazz Band have begun their practices and performances. In January, we have students that have been accepted to perform at the All County Band Concert. Congratulations to all of you. The Solo and Ensemble Contest will also be in January. I know many of our band students will be performing on this day. They have been practicing very hard for this. I wish all of them "good luck" with their performances.

Please note that our January Band Booster meeting will be held on Monday, January 8th at 7:30 in the band room. Even though marching band season is over, we will still need volunteers for other events. Please watch the band website and Facebook for these opportunities.

I cannot express how much I appreciate each and every one of you. Thank you so much for all you do to support our band program. I am looking forward to great things to come from our Lancaster Bands and Lancaster Band Boosters in 2018. Happy New Year!

Beth Wing Band Booster President

### **FUNDRAISING**

Please remember to use the Amazon Smile program. 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.

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### **BAND BOOSTER MEETING**

The next band booster meeting is Monday, January 8, 2018 at 7:30pm in the band room at Lancaster High School.

JANUARY 2018						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
December 31	SCHOOL – HOLIDAY	2 RREAK	3 Saxophone Trio 3pm	4 Woodwind Quintet 6pm	5 Jazz Band 3pm Flute Choir 3:30pm Flute Quartet	6
		DICLAR			4:30pm	
7	8 Saxophone Quartet 3pm Woodwind Quintet	9 Clarinet Trio 3pm Jazz Band	10 All County Band	11 Woodwind Quintet 6pm	12 Jazz Band 3pm Flute Choir	13
	3pm  Band Booster  Meeting 7:30pm	3pm Clarinet Choir 4pm Music Seminar			3:30pm  Flute Quartet 4:30pm  Pep Band	
		5pm			6pm	
14	15 NO SCHOOL Saxophone Quartet 3pm Woodwind Quintet 3pm	16 Clarinet Trio 3pm  Jazz Band 3pm  Clarinet Choir 4pm	17 Saxophone Trio 3pm	18 Woodwind Quintet 6pm	19 Jazz Band 3pm  Flute Choir 3:30pm  Flute Quartet 4:30pm  Pep Band 6pm	20
21	22 Saxophone Quartet 3pm Woodwind Quintet 3pm	23 Clarinet Trio 3pm  Jazz Band 3pm  Clarinet Choir 4pm  Pep Band 6pm  LHS Band Information Meeting 7pm	24 Saxophone Trio 3pm	25 Woodwind Quintet 6pm	Jazz Band 3pm Flute Choir 3:30pm Flute Quartet 4:30pm	27 High School Solo and Ensemble
28	29	30 Jazz Band 3pm	31	February 1	February 2 Jazz Band 3pm Pep Band 6:30pm	February 3

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