



LANCASTER

BAND BOOSTERS

November 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 adult persons who are committed to supporting the instrumental music program in the Lancaster City Schools. 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 in Concert

Thursday, November 1st

7:30pm

LHS Auditorium

DIRECTOR OF BANDS

The Band of Gold has had another fantastic marching band season. The band staff is very proud of all of the hard work our students put in to get to this point. Throughout the season, the band has received positive comments from our adjudicators, in addition to consistent high ratings in captions. We are very pleased with the great progress we have made with the 2018 band. Congratulations to all band members!

One of our goals as a band is to create an environment that allows our students to grow both as musicians and young adults. As a result of performing at adjudicated events (the more proper name for "contests"), band members build confidence, get feedback from experts in our field, and set goals that are only attainable as a team. This is the true definition of teamwork.

November is a perfect time to begin seriously considering taking private lessons. Our next step to progressing further as a band program is for our individual musicians to become more independent and more serious about their technique and musicianship. Please make a time to talk as a family about this possibility. If you have any questions, the directors would be happy to answer them.

The calendar is full of many more exciting events that will be coming up very soon. These include the Holiday parade, the Holiday concert, and later in the winter, Solo and Ensemble. In the next few weeks the band will make the transition into concert band season. It is in concert band where students develop and reinforce the fundamental performance skills that are expanded upon in all other ensembles. We are very much looking forward to seeing what the rest of the year has in store for the Lancaster High School Bands.

We hope that all of you have enjoyed the fall season as much as I have. Please accept my sincere thanks for all that you and your families have done to make this season a success.

Ben Factor
Director of Bands
Lancaster High School

BAND BOOSTER PRESIDENT

Can you believe it? By the time you are receiving this newsletter, we will be hours away from the end of marching band season, capped by the finale concert at the High School. It seems like just yesterday we were discussing band camp and getting ready for the school year. It is simply amazing how fast the season has flown by.

As I begin to reflect on the past season, I immediately think about the growth we have seen in the kids as individuals and as a group. Yes, the musical performance developed into an "Excellent" program and it was truly wonderful to watch; however, I am sure I am not alone in appreciating the manner in which the Music program develops our kids into wonderful young adults and great members of our community. We have wonderful Band Directors at Lancaster High School and I commend them for a wonderful season and thank them for being positive leaders for our kids.

Reflection would not be complete without acknowledging the hard work of our volunteers and knowing the band program is more successful because of them. I am continuously amazed with the amount of work that goes into the program. For instance, the work and dedication of Dean and Debbie Cook, and their family, with the County Fair Booth is simply remarkable. This is certainly not easy work and did you know their entire family takes vacation leave from their workplaces to commit full-time to the fair booth? Amazing! And what about Tera Kuehne and her army of volunteers in the concession stand. This is not just a Friday, game night activity. Tera spends a great amount of her personal time outside of Fridays ordering supplies, meeting with vendors, and stocking the coolers and shelves. Again, amazing! Finally, I cannot go on without talking about Debbi Hoagland. Her continued support and commitment to the program is unparalleled. Debbi performs so many activities behind the scenes that I am simply in awe. Uniform maintenance and cleaning, newsletters, brochures for concerts, website updates, and the list goes on and on. And did you know, she doesn't even have a child in the program. Absolutely amazing! There are so many stories of volunteer efforts, from the folks who drive the vehicles to the fundraisers pounding on doors looking for donations, that they cannot all be listed; however, as we reflect on the past season, we must give thanks to these wonderful people and their tremendous efforts! Thank you!

Moving forward, I hope to see you all at the Finale Concert on November 1st. There will be a small reception afterwards so if you can bring a plate of cookies for all to enjoy, it would be appreciated. Additionally, the Holiday Parade is right around the corner and many of the other Bands will have events coming soon. Though Marching Band season is near complete, our work is not. I look forward to continuing to work with you all in supporting the music programs at Lancaster High School.

Mike Courtney
Band Booster President



Happy Fall Band Members and Families!! We have fun - FUNDRAISER ACTIVITIES coming up soon. Here are just a couple thus far:

SPIRIT NIGHT at RAISING CANE'S:
Wednesday, November 7th - 11:00am-8:00pm,
Just show the attached FLYER when checking out. Proceeds go to the Band Boosters.

YANKEE CANDLE SALES:
Starting November 2nd - We are beginning a new adventure with fundraisers. We will be selling Yankee Candles! All information will be handed out next week. But if you are able to sell 12 any size candles – then you receive one medium candle – FREE (any scents). All orders can be done either Online, Mobile App or by catalog.

Please get and stay involved in our fundraisers throughout this year. We have easy opportunities to help raise a tremendous amount funds for Band Boosters and for our Student Accounts. Remember, next school year is our trip to Disney World. Stay Tuned.....

Dana Travis
Fundraising Chair



BAND BOOSTERS

The next band booster meeting is Monday, November 5, 2018 at 7:30pm in the band room at Lancaster High School.

On behalf of the Fair Booth Chairs we would like to thank everyone who helped make the fair booth a success again this year.

With out all of you this wouldn't be possible. As many of you know, it takes a huge amount of help to cover all of the hours that the fair booth is open.

In addition, there is pre-cooking and clean up. Many of you gave up great amounts of your time working the booth and/ or baking goods to sell. We just wanted you all to know how much we appreciated all of your help. In spite of the crazy weather we think we did pretty well this year. The final numbers will be available at the next band booster meeting. Hope to see you all there.

Dean and Debbie Cook
Fair Booth Chairs



OFFICIAL BAND CALENDAR

If you would like to subscribe to our online calendar, please visit the band website at LancasterBands.com and click on the "Events" tab on the top menu. Simply click on the plus sign at the bottom of the calendar to subscribe.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Saturday, November 17th - Holiday Parade
Thursday, December 6th - LHS Holiday Concert

SPIRIT NIGHT AT CANE'S!



Wednesday, November 7th


Lancaster Band Boosters
FUNDRAISING NIGHT
11 am – 8 pm

PRESENT THIS FLYER AT THE RAISING CANE'S CHICKEN FINGERS RESTAURANT IN LANCASTER

WITH THIS FLYER- **15%** OF YOUR SALES WILL BE DONATED TO THE

Lancaster Band Booster

Raising Cane's located at: 1934 N Memorial Drive (Across from River Valley Mall)

November 7th, 2018

Raising Funds
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NOVEMBER 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 Band of Gold in Concert 7:30pm	2	3
4	5 Band Booster Meeting 7:30pm	6	7 Raising Cane's Restaurant Fundraiser	8	9	10
11	12	13	14 Parade Rehearsal 3-5pm	15	16	17 Lancaster Holiday Parade
18	19	20	21 NO SCHOOL	22 NO SCHOOL	23 NO SCHOOL	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	December 1

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