



# LANCASTER BAND BOOSTERS

## January 2020

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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## Thomas Ewing 7th and 8th Grade

### Tuesday, January 14th

## 6th Grade Concert

### Thursday, January 16th

## *NEW* Thomas Ewing Junior High Auditorium

## FROM THE DIRECTOR OF BANDS

During the upcoming cold and often dreary winter months, the musicians in the high school band program should have plenty to keep them busy. Pep Band and Percussion Ensemble have started rehearsing for their upcoming winter and spring performances. Jazz Band will be starting in just a few short weeks. There will be plenty of literature to prepare with these groups, which will mean a lot of individual preparation.

In our concert bands, we begin in January to dive into our adjudicated event repertoire. Our preview concert is March 5, which is our chance to perform for an audience before OMEA adjudicated event on March 13 or 14. As soon as our band members receive this music, careful preparation at home and in sectionals should begin.

In addition to our instrumentalists, guard members will be continuing to refine and expand their skills this winter. Winter Guard will have several performances in January, February, and March. We are very excited about the work our guard instructors Britt Tisdale and Kylee Canfield have been doing with these members.

Our biggest priority this month will certainly be to get ready for January 25 - OMEA Solo and Ensemble Adjudicated Event. We have a large number of events, as usual! Because of this, we expect band members to take initiative with their preparation. Slow and steady preparation is the key to success.

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 8 and perform that same evening for a full auditorium. This year's guest conductor is Dr. Richard Suk, Director of the Ohio University Marching Band.

Olivia Maynard, *Flute*

Ariane Penix, *Flute*

Emma Mace, *Flute*

Joe Zishka, *Clarinet*

John Zishka, *Alto Saxophone*

Kyle Miller, *Trumpet*

Zach Kette, *Trombone*

Benjamin Jurecki, *Euphonium*  
Murray Robertson, *Tuba*

Congratulations to these musicians for representing LHS!

Ben Factor

*Director of Bands*

*Lancaster High School*

## BAND BOOSTER PRESIDENT

Happy New Year to all families and friends of the Lancaster Bands!

I hope you and your families enjoyed a wonderful holiday season. As a parent of a senior member of the Music Program, I have had the pleasure of starting my last four holiday seasons with band and choir music holiday programs. There is truly no better way to start the holiday season and this year was no different as the Directors once again had the bands performing exceptionally. As always, congratulations to all for their wonderful performances.

This holiday season is extra special for many members of the Band of Gold. As you receive this month's newsletter, many of our musicians and families will be on their way to sunny Florida for a special performance of the Band of Gold at Disney World. Thank you to the parents and volunteers who made this trip possible for the band members. Join me in wishing them safe travels and a great performance.

Finally, as we move into the new year, and as you plan your resolutions for 2020, please keep the Lancaster Bands in mind. We are always in need of volunteers. We are so thankful for the "regulars" who give so much of themselves; but we always need and welcome new volunteers to keep the bands operational at their expected high level. So please resolve to give your time, talents and many resources to the Lancaster Bands. We do appreciate and are thankful for the efforts of all volunteers!

Please join us at the next Band Boosters meeting. The meeting will be held at the Lancaster Band Room on January 6<sup>th</sup>, 2020 at 7:30 pm.

Mike Courtney

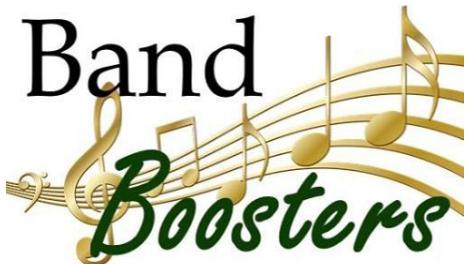
*Band Booster President*

## UPCOMING

# EVENTS



Wednesday, January 8	All County Band
Saturday, January 25	Solo and Ensemble
Thursday, March 5	Winter Band Concert
March 13 or 14	OMEA District Adjudicated Event
Saturday, April 4	Jazz Band Dinner Dance
April 24 or 25	OMEA State Adjudicated Event
May 8 and 9	Percussion Ensemble Concert
Thursday, May 14	Spring Band Concert
Monday, May 25	Memorial Day Parade
Saturday, May 30	LHS Graduation



The next band booster meeting is Monday, January 6, 2020 at 7:30pm in the band room at Lancaster High School.



stay informed

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## Fundraising

### SAVE THE DATES:

#### 1. PROCEED NIGHTS AT CANES:

FEBRUARY 19 – 11-8pm

APRIL 22 – 11-8 pm

#### 2. CHIPOTLE PROCEED NIGHT – January 15, 2020 – 5-9pm (Memorial Drive Location). Only dine in or carry-out. No Online Orders.

#### 3. YANKEE CANDLE SALES - For those who received "free candles" from our sales in August – your candles have been in the Band room in the uniform closet. They are labeled. Please have your student bring home your candle.

#### 4. CANDY SALES - I have candy left at home. Will NOT order more this season. Please get yourself some bags of candy. Proceeds go directly to student's accounts.

#### 5. YARD SALE – This event will take place in May at Tarhe Trails' Gym. Date TBA. Please start putting items you wish to donate for this event. Last year was a great success and we had a ton of fun. Help our band out again.

#### 6. SHIRT AND CUP SALES –Shirt and Cups will be sold at our upcoming Band concerts. If you wish to order items prior to our concert nights – there will be order forms in the Band Room.

#### 7. Rooster's Discount Cards – We have received Rooster Discount Cards for 2020. They are available for you to purchase. They will sell for \$10.00/each and 100% of your sales will go into your student's accounts. Please reach out to me to get your cards.

Please keep checking on all social media outlets for continuing information for Fundraisers. If you haven't been on Social Media for some time – search for our Band and see if there have been updates. If you have any questions or suggestions, please feel free to contact me at 304.312.0020 or [danatravis@columbus.rr.com](mailto:danatravis@columbus.rr.com).

Dana Travis  
Fundraiser Chair

# JANUARY 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4
5	6 Flute Choir, 3-4pm	7	8 All County Band	9	10 Pep Band at Boys Basketball Game, 6:30pm	11
12	13 Flute Choir, 3-4pm	14 Ewing 7th and 8th Grade Band Concert	15	16 Ewing 6th Grade Band Concert	17 NO SCHOOL  Pep Band at Boys Basketball Game, 6:30pm	18
19	20 NO SCHOOL  Flute Choir, 3-4pm	21	22	23	24	25  High School Solo and Ensemble
26	27	28 Pep Band at Girls Basketball Game, 6:30pm  Winter Guard Performance at Varsity Basketball Game (Halftime)	29	30	31 Winter Guard Performance During JV Basketball Game (Halftime)	February 1

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