



LANCASTER BAND BOOSTERS

February 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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LHS Winter Band Concert

Thursday, March 5, 2020

7:30pm

LHS Auditorium

FROM THE DIRECTOR OF BANDS

The new year was entered in with great enthusiasm as the Band of Gold once again marched at Walt Disney World. The New Year's Day Parade in the Magic Kingdom featured our band debuting a custom arrangement, combining "Stand Up and Cheer" with the familiar "Auld Lang Syne." The band members were great ambassadors of our band program and our Lancaster community. We would all like to thank the wonderful chaperones who were not only extremely helpful to the staff, but also helped to create a positive trip experience overall.

We just recently finished many weeks of hard work preparing for OMEA District 15 Solo and Ensemble Adjudicated Event. I cannot say enough good things about all of the band members who elected to participate in order to make themselves better musicians and to make the band better as a whole. If you've never been involved with such an event, you may not quite understand the courage that it takes to get up and perform, and the discipline it takes to learn music with limited coaching. All of the musicians who performed last weekend should be extremely proud of their efforts. Be sure to congratulate these band members and thank them for their dedication!

A performance opportunity like the one described above is just one of numerous chances to get involved more in the band program. The top band members are going to say "Yes" to the things that will make them better musicians. Please encourage your band member to play their instrument in whatever opportunity comes their way. There's no substitute for simply playing more often.

Taking private lessons is another incredible way to develop one's musicianship. If your son or daughter is not currently taking lessons, now might be the perfect time to start. If there are obstacles in the way, whether it be scheduling, finances, or logistics, be sure to talk to one of the directors about it. The directors all feel very strongly about the importance of private lessons as part of our band experience. The next step is very easy... email one of the directors and say "I would like to learn more about private lessons."

Our goal is simple: to get *better each day*. If you're not sure what to do to help your son or daughter take the next step, please don't hesitate to reach out to us.

Ben Factor
Director of Bands
Lancaster High School

BAND BOOSTER PRESIDENT

Last February, I was writing about snow on the ground and school closings. The weather is certainly different this year; however, the hard work of the student musicians and directors is not. In consistent fashion, our students and directors continue to dedicate substantial time and effort while working hard to better themselves and the Lancaster Music program.

The hard work of the students is certainly proving fruitful. Over the past few months, Lancaster Band students have been selected to serve in Honor Bands at various institutions and the Fairfield County All-County Band. Additionally, our students just completed the Solo and Ensemble Adjudicated Event with numerous superior ratings. I am so impressed and proud of the many wonderful musicians representing the Lancaster music program.

With the hard work, there must be some fun. Since the last newsletter, many of our marching band students have returned from the magical land of Walt Disney World. The Band of Gold shined bright as the students performed wonderfully as they marched down Disney Main Street. The students were great ambassadors of the City of Lancaster and Lancaster High School, not just as musicians but as professional young adults. Thank you to all of the Parents, Directors, Volunteers, Chaperones, Equipment and Bus Drivers, and the Tour Company for providing a safe and memorable experience for our students.

Finally, the hard work of the Band Boosters also continues. The boosters continue to meet regularly and work behind the scenes, donating many hours of their personal time, to support the efforts of the Lancaster Music Program. With that said, as we are only a couple of months away from the end of another school year, we will soon be looking for new leaders and active members of the Band of Gold Boosters. Please consider joining in on the fun and see the behind the scenes work that provides a wonderful program for your students. The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, February 3, 2020 and will be held at the High School Band Room. Hope to see you there!

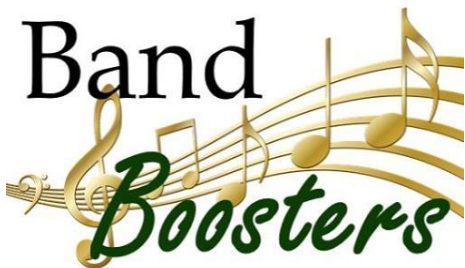
Mike Courtney
Band Booster President

UPCOMING

EVENTS



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, February 3, 2020 at 7:30pm in the band room at Lancaster High School.



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.



1. PROCEED NIGHTS AT CANES:

FEBRUARY 19 – 11-8pm
APRIL 22 – 11-8 pm

2. POPCORN SALES – Kickoff is February 5th and 6th – This fundraiser was a huge success last year. A portion of sales go directly into your Student's Account.

3. 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 account.

4. YARD SALE – Saturday, May 16th - This event will take place at Tarhe Trails' Gym. 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. 😊 Stay tuned for more information.....

5. 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.

6. ROOSTER'S DISCOUNT CARDS – We have received Rooster Discount Cards for 2020. They sell for \$10.00/each and will go into your student's accounts.

7. GIFT RAFFLE – will be held at our last concert of the school year.

With the upcoming proceed nights AND Roosters' Card sales, please utilize your Social Media, email contacts, text contacts, etc. to let all friends know of these events. It is an easy way to get the word out. These are easy fundraisers that benefit both the Band Boosters AND the students.

Please feel free to contact me at 304.312.0020 or danatravis@columbus.rr.com should you have any questions, wish to help with fundraising or have an idea for possible future fundraisers. I thank you. 😊

Dana Travis
Fundraiser Chair

**Lancaster Band Boosters
Mid-Year Financial Report (July-Dec)**

	2019/2020 School Year	2018/2019 School Year
Income	\$32,561.56	\$29,222.16
Expenses	\$40,656.41	\$25,815.33

Income Detail	2019/2020 School Year	2018/2019 School Year
Amazon Smile	\$46.67	\$25.95
Interest Income	\$9.44	\$25.51
Kroger Community Rewards	\$682.75	\$307.22
VISA Rewards	\$252.49	\$99.55
Total Community Rewards	\$991.35	\$458.23
Concessions - Fair Booth	\$5,488.94	\$4,523.14
Concessions - Football Games	\$4,516.91	\$7,151.36
Total Concessions	\$10,005.85	\$11,674.50
Candle Sale	\$606.47	\$1,668.50
Candy Bars	\$213.47	n/a
Concert Basket Raffles	\$357.00	\$434.00
Gypsy Joe's	\$162.75	n/a
Invitational	\$13,414.09	\$11,035.60
July 4th Parking	n/a	\$978.53
Mattress Sale	\$3,755.00	n/a
Total Fundraisers	\$18,508.78	\$14,116.63
Car Decals	\$193.00	\$20.54
Band Merchandise	-\$43.42	n/a
Total Pride and Publicity	\$149.58	\$20.54
County Fair Participation	\$0.00	\$500.00
Donations - Concert	\$106.00	\$122.26
Donations - Corporate	\$2,800.00	\$1,450.00
Donations - General	\$0.00	\$180.00
Parades Participation	\$0.00	\$700.00
Total Public Support	\$2,906.00	\$2,952.26

Expense Detail	2019/2020 School Year	2018/2019 School Year
Total Storage Facility	n/a	\$2,000.00
Total Concert Bands	\$717.32	\$300.00
Legal & Professional Fees	\$555.00	\$305.00
Miscellaneous	\$0.00	\$90.06
Operating Expenses	\$332.61	\$253.80
Special Events (Annual Picnic)	\$420.00	n/a
Transportation	\$4,039.62	\$2,101.33
Total General and Operations	\$5,347.23	\$2,750.19
Band Camp	\$3,233.96	\$4,005.19
MB Awards/Rewards	\$1,044.00	\$1,294.12
MB Commissions	\$11,101.36	\$10,480.85
MB Contest Fees	\$250.00	\$465.00
MB Equipment and Supplies	\$7,158.59	\$3,717.57
MB Instructional Staff	\$1,750.00	\$2,100.00
MB Travel (Disney)	\$230.78	n/a
MB Uniform Expenses	\$9,791.04	\$372.00
Total Marching Band	\$34,559.73	\$22,434.73
Total Percussion Ensemble	\$30.68	\$213.00
Total Winter Guard	-\$40.00	\$0.00
Total Uncategorized Expense	\$41.45	\$117.41

*Band Camp has outstanding student payments of \$2,564.12

*MB Equipment and Supplies has outstanding student payments of \$392.30

*MB Uniform Expenses has outstanding student payments of \$3636.52

FEBRUARY 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2	3 Band Booster Meeting, 7:30pm Winter Guard Performance during Varsity Basketball Halftime	4 Jazz Band 3-4pm Pep Band at Girls Basketball Game, 6:30pm	5	6 Popcorn Sale Begins	7 Jazz Band 3-4pm Winter Guard Performance during JV Basketball Halftime) Pep Band at Boys Basketball Game, 6:30pm	8
9	10	11 Jazz Band 3-4pm	12	13	14 Jazz Band 3-4pm	15
16	17 NO SCHOOL	18 NO SCHOOL	19	20	21 Jazz Band 3-4pm	22
23	24	25 Jazz Band 3-4pm	26	27	28 Jazz Band 3-4pm	29

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