

August 3, 2017



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## Welcome Back, OWLS!!

This bi-weekly newsletter is for all instrumental music families, not just marching band. Please read through it carefully to stay informed about all of the upcoming events.

It's going to be a busy month and we want to keep everyone up to date on what's going on with the music program. There are section headings within the newsletter denoting marching band (MB) and All Instrumental Music (ALL IMB) events. Marching band season is kicking off and you will see more info directed toward that now, but as school starts and we have more ALL IMB events and the Ensemble concerts get closer, those will be included here as well. We know you may be receiving a lot of information right now, but we are trying to keep separate IMB emails to a minimum if possible.

School may not be in session yet, but everyone should be getting reacquainted with their instruments if they haven't been practicing over the summer.

It was great to see the turnout of students, alumni and families at the Drum Corp International clinic and show on August 1st. The evening DCI show was just a glimpse of what our students can achieve in their music and guard endeavors! It was extra special to see the Blue Devils compete along with the Cadets! Check out the last few weeks of the DCI season schedule at [YEA.org](http://YEA.org). If you attended the event but haven't paid the Boosters for your ticket, please drop a check for \$25/pp in the payment box this week.

There are lots of deadlines coming up next week along with the start of restaurant nights! Add the IMB calendar to your device to stay up to date with what is coming up with the boosters, marching band and all ensembles including concerts. Visit [owlband.org/calendar](http://owlband.org/calendar) for instructions.

If you have any questions, please feel free to email me at [president@owlband.org](mailto:president@owlband.org)!

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# Upcoming Events

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Aug 7 Marching Band Camp 9am -5pm - Full Band AND Pizza Orders Due

**Aug 7 Buffalo Wild Wings Restaurant Night 5-9 (ALL IMB)**

Aug 8 MB Camp 9am - 5pm

Aug 8 Percussion and Guard Only Camp 6:30pm - 9pm

Aug 9 MB Camp 9am - 5pm

Aug 9 Winds Only Camp 6:30pm - 9pm

Aug 10 MB Camp 9am - 5pm - Full Band

Aug 11 MB Camp 9am - 5pm - Full Band AND T-Shirt Orders Due

Aug 11 MB Picnic Lunch 12pm

**Aug 12 IMB Car Wash 10-2pm Stadium Lot (ALL IMB)**

Aug 14 Marching Band Camp 9am -5pm - Full Band

**Aug 15 Scrip Orders Due (for physical cards) (ALL IMB)**

Aug 15 MB Camp 9am - 5pm

Aug 15 Percussion and Guard Only Camp 6:30pm - 9pm

**Aug 15 Chick Fil-A Restaurant Night 3pm - 7pm (ALL IMB) \***

Aug 16 MB Camp 9am - 5pm

Aug 16 Winds Only Camp 6:30pm - 9pm

**Aug 16 Classico Pizza night (for lunch and dinner) (ALL IMB) \***

Aug 17 MB Camp 9am - 5pm - Full Band

Aug 17 MB Kill Drill & Parent Social 6:30pm -9pm

Aug 18 MB Camp 9am - 5pm - Full Band

Aug 18 MB Preview Show with reception to follow 6:30pm - 9pm

**Oct 14 Westminster Silver Showcase MB Competition (aka Home Show) (ALL IMB)**

**\* denotes orders will be taken and food delivered to WHS at 5pm**

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## *Paperwork*

Paperwork for the upcoming season is due Monday, Aug 7th. If you have misplaced the forms, the 3 forms are available at <http://owlband.org/information/school-year-forms/>. Please make sure you have turned in all forms prior to the start of practice.

## *2017 Fees*

Everyone should be up to date on their fees, if not, please catch up when students return next week. You can pay by dropping a check into the payment box in the band room, paying online at [www.owlband.org](http://www.owlband.org) (small Paypal fee), or paying with money already in a student account (email [whsowlstudentaccounts@yahoo.com](mailto:whsowlstudentaccounts@yahoo.com)). If you are interested, there is some scholarship money available from the Instrumental Music Boosters to help with fee payment - Contact [Mr. Frazier](#) for more information.

- Universal Fees 1st Installment – \$150, due by June 19
- Trip Fees, 1st Installment – \$150, due by July 3
- Trip Fees, 2nd Installment – \$100, due by July 17
- Universal Fees 2nd Installment – \$150, due by July 31
- Universal Fees 3rd Installment – \$100, due by August 14
- Trip Fees, 3rd Installment – \$100, due by August 28
- Rookie Fees – \$100

## *2017 Band T-Shirt Orders Due Aug 11th*

Marching band students will receive one shirt (included in their fees) but it is best to get them an extra! Parents who plan to chaperone, walk in parades, water the band, and help with the MB events should purchase a t-shirt. The order form is attached and will be handed out on Aug 7th. Payment and orders are due by Aug 11th!!!

Pit Crew members - Please request to have 'Pit Crew' added the top back of your shirt.

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## *Gianni Pizza Orders Due Aug 8th*

Dear OWL Band, Happy Summer!! In getting ready for the August Marching band camp to start, remember we have a Gianni's fundraiser in progress! The brochures came home at the June Marching band camp to give you plenty of time to sell!

Abbreviated flyer info below:

*IT'S FUNDRAISING TIME WITH PIZZA, COOKIE DOUGH AND MORE!!*

We can make up to \$6 profit per item sold\* and 50% OF THE PROFIT FROM EACH ITEM YOU SELL GOES DIRECTLY INTO YOUR STUDENT ACCOUNT!

The sale will run thru August 7th. Absolute return of orders by August 8th

Products pickup on Thur., August 31st.

## *Marching Band Picnic*

IMB will be hosting a lunchtime picnic on Aug 11th. Please see the Signup Genius for this event <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0d49ada728a2fa7-rehearsal2>.

## *Kill Drill Parent Social*

Our kids will know each other and now it's time to bring the parents together to meet and cheer on the students at Kill Drill. Please see the Signup Genius below for more info.

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0d49ada728a2fa7-parent>

## *Preview Show*

The last day of camp brings the preview show where family and friends are able to see students perform. The show will be at 6:30PM. Following the show a reception will be to feed the students, their families and guests and to celebrate a great kick off to the marching band year.

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0d49ada728a2fa7-preview2>

## *Ice Cream Social*

The IMB will host an Ice Cream Social on Aug 28th immediately after practice. See the Signup Genius below for more information. <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0d49ada728a2fa7-icecream2>





## *Westminster Silver Showcase Marching Band Competition ... aka THE HOME SHOW!*

The WHS IMB will be hosting a band competition for 18 marching bands plus performances by WHS and Stevenson University at WHS Stadium on **October 14th** and need a LOT of volunteers. Everyone will be able to see our band play (we close down concessions, etc during our performance). Whether you have students in the marching band or an Ensemble, we need your help to serve all the folks attending this event. Please mark this date on your calendar NOW to help the IMB for at least a few hours that day. More information will be sent out soon.

### **ALL IMB PROGRAM FUNDRAISERS**

The following fundraisers are being run to benefit the entire program

## **RESTAURANT NIGHTS!**

These fundraisers benefit the entire music program so everyone involved can participate!

**Please bring the flyers from the [website](#) and present them when ordering!**

Monday isn't just the first day of marching band camp, but it is also the kickoff of this year's restaurant night fundraisers.

**Monday, August 7th join us at Buffalo Wild Wings from 5 til 9pm** after the first full day of marching band camp to raise money for the entire Instrumental Music Program. Additionally, there will be two more opportunities to earn money for Westminster's music program.

### **Tuesday, August 15 is Chik-fil-A night from 3 til 7pm**

For the marching band members, food orders will be taken ahead of time and delivered directly to the high school at 5pm. Even if you aren't staying for the evening practice, you can take your order home with you!

**Wednesday, August 16, is Classico Pizza night (for lunch and dinner).** For the marching band members, food orders will be taken ahead of time and delivered directly to the high school at 5pm. Even if you aren't staying for the evening practice, you can take your order home with you!

## OWLBAND COFFEE

The WHS Instrumental Music Boosters have worked in conjunction with Furnace Hills Coffee Company in Westminster to create 3 custom blend coffees specifically for the music program. Portions of the sales go toward funding our music program.

[Click Here](#) to order and get additional information on our three blends!



## STUDENT ACCOUNT FUNDRAISERS

The following Fundraisers are available to help pay down your student's music program fees. These include concert attire, and instrument rental fees. Additional account fundraiser options are listed on <http://owlband.org/fundraisers/>.

## CAR WASHES



Car wash fundraisers are great for both our program and for students! While half of the money raised at these events goes to the IMB general fund the other half is split among participating student accounts!

Can you help us with one of the car washes? They really run themselves but we need adult supervision. **Please let us know if you can help out 10-2pm on**

**August 12.** The car wash will be held in the WHS Stadium Lot. All supplies are provided by the boosters! Please let us know by signing up at

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0d49ada728a2fa7-whsimb15>

Interested adult must be CCPS volunteer trained. (if you had the training last year, you are covered until Sept.)

Please note: The September 10th car wash will be held at Roy Rogers in Westminster in conjunction with a Restaurant day!



## **SUMMER WINE FESTIVAL FUNDRAISING OPPORTUNITIES**

There are only two more opportunities to volunteer at the Linganore Winery 2017 festivals in Mt Airy, MD this fall. You don't have to know anything about wine, and the festivals are a lot of fun. Sign up with friends and family! It is a lot of fun and it raises money for your student's IMB account. Three IMB members volunteered in June and we earned \$192 for the IMB and our student accounts. Imagine what we could earn with many more parents and student volunteers!



David, Shawna & Susan at Linganore in June 2017

The next one is Aug 13th and there are only a few spots left. Sign up by using the link below:

[http://linganore.ivolunteer.com/schoolvolunteerstasteoflinganore2017\\_005](http://linganore.ivolunteer.com/schoolvolunteerstasteoflinganore2017_005)

As Linganore volunteer, they provide lunch and snacks at the festival, and, if volunteer is over 21, are eligible to purchase wine that day at a 20% discount! Email [correspond@owlband.org](mailto:correspond@owlband.org) if you sign up or with any questions. The next date is October 7-8

## **SHOPWITHSCRIP GIFT CARD PROGRAM**

This is the easiest way to cover the cost of your student fees... all while spending no more than you currently spend on items such as groceries, gas and shopping! Check out a list of all participating retailers at [www.ShopWithScrip.com](http://www.ShopWithScrip.com) More information is available at <http://owlband.org/fundraisers/scrip/> Physical cards are typically received mid-month.

If you are interested in creating an account, or have any questions, please email Scott at [whsscrip@gmail.com](mailto:whsscrip@gmail.com). We also have information at the Booster meetings and on [www.owlband.org](http://www.owlband.org).

## **AUGUST BOOSTER MEETING**

The August Booster meeting will be held Aug 16th 7:30pm - 8:30pm

If you have any questions about the WHS IMB program, please feel free to contact anyone on the board.

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