# Oakton Cougar Marching Band

# 2014-2015



Complete and return the forms in this packet for ALL Marching Band students during one of the Marching Band Registration Nights June 2 or June 3, 2014



# Oakton High School Bands 2900 Sutton Road Vienna, VA 22181 703-319-2746

Dear Oakton Band Members,

First, we would like to welcome all new students to the Oakton Band program. Many of you have auditioned and have done very well. If you have not auditioned yet, please have your parents call the Band office at 703-319-2746 to set up an appointment.

Second, to ALL Oakton Band members – we know you're glad that summer vacation is about to begin, but before you settle into your sun and fun routine, please take a few minutes to go through this information with your parents... Orkney '14 is right around the corner!

We are very much looking forward to another super year. We can make this one the best yet... together. Enjoy your vacation and have a safe and happy summer.

The Oakton Band Family

# Handy Dandy Band Information

Welcome to the Oakton Band Program from the Band Boosters of Oakton High School (BBOHS)! BBOHS is an active parent organization that supports the Band in every way. If you have a student in the program, you're a member of BBOHS! Find out more by attending our monthly BBOHS meetings.

**Oakton Bands Website:** Check our website to find out about all things Oakton Band! The official Band calendar, photos, financial policies and by-laws, and much more information about everything on this page can be accessed at <u>www.oaktonbands.com</u>.

<u>Charms:</u> Oakton Bands use the Charms Office Assistant, an administrative website tool, to maintain basic student contact information and to deliver Band-wide communications. Each student is assigned a personal ID number; it allows only you to access your student's information. The Band Director and BBOHS use email as the primary means to distribute important information to parents. It is essential that your contact information is accurate in Charms to ensure you receive all current messages and the monthly Booster newsletter. For Charms questions, contact the BBOHS Charms Administrator at: <a href="mailto:charmsadmin@oaktonbands.com">charmsadmin@oaktonbands.com</a>.

# Very Important Events

- **Back-to-Band Night**: Thursday, September 4, 2014 at 7pm in the Lecture Hall. Come learn more about the OHS Band program from the Director and BBOHS members. Bring your questions!
- **Tag Day:** Saturday, September 6, 2014 from 8:30 am 3:00 pm. This is the biggest fundraiser of the year and every Band student is expected to participate.
- **Oakton Classic:** The Oakton Bands/BBOHS will host our annual marching competition here at OHS on Saturday, September 27. High school bands from all over Virginia participate in this exciting day-long event. All Band students and parents are asked to volunteer to make it successful.
- Annual Spring Band Trip: The Concert and Jazz Bands travel each year to participate in a spring competition. Students are granted an excused absence for the 4-5 day trip and coordinate school assignments in advance with their teachers. There is an additional cost for this trip, and it is an optional activity. Planning is underway to select this year's competition location and details will be announced soon.

**Uniforms:** Each student must wear the appropriate attire for performances. All uniforms are provided by the Band. Parent volunteers will be fitting the students for their Marching Band uniforms in August/September; Concert uniforms will be fitted at the conclusion of marching season. Replacement costs will be assessed for any lost items.

- Marching Band: All wear the marching uniform. Personal marching shoes and rental of the uniform are included in the Marching Band fee. Families pay to dry clean the uniform once before the State Marching Assessment.
- Concert Band: Beginning in 2014-15, students will no longer be charged for purchase or rental of concert uniforms. Girls will order dresses; families might need to pay to have them hemmed. Boys will be issued a concert tuxedo that will be turned in at the end of the year. One exception is boys will be required to purchase a dress tuxedo shirt through the school (approximate cost is \$20-25) that will be theirs to keep.
- Jazz Band: Girls wear their concert dress, and boys wear their concert shirt, pants, vest & tie and a white tuxedo jacket provided by the band.

<u>Concert Band Rehearsals\*</u>: Begin in November, after the Marching Band season. All are 3:30 -5:00 pm; on Tues-Symphonic, Wed-Concert 1, and Thurs- Concert 2. \*Subject to change by the Director.



# Oakton High School Marching Band 2014 Key Events

# **Preparation**

Marching Band Registration: Monday, June 2 and Tuesday, June 3

Location: OHS Library Time: 5:30 – 9:00 pm Bring:

- 1) Completed Marching Band forms
  - Marching Band fee = \$225. Due September 2, 2014 payable to Oakton High School. [If NOT attending Orkney Marching Band Camp, Marching Band fee of \$225 is due at Marching Band registration.]
- 2) Completed Medical forms
  - Includes VHSL physical form must be physician-signed and dated after May 1, 2014
- 3) If attending Orkney Marching Band Camp
  - Completed Orkney forms
  - Orkney fee = \$565. A \$300 deposit is required at Marching Band registration. Make check payable to Oakton High School. Remaining \$265 payment due on August 4, 2014.
- Go to <u>www.oaktonbands.com</u> to print out: Marching Band packet; Medical Forms packet; and Orkney Marching Band Camp packet.

# August Marching Band Schedule

Marching Band Start: Monday, August 4 – Friday, August 8

Location: OHS Band Room

Time: 8:00 am – 4:00 pm

Bring: See Marching Band packet. For those attending Orkney, bring remaining \$265 payment. August 4: 8:00 am – 4:00 pm, Freshmen and new members, Leadership; New Parent Reception 8:00 – 9:00 am

August 5: 8:00 am – 4:00 pm, Freshmen and new members, Leadership

August 6: 8:00 am – 12:00 pm, Freshmen and new members, Leadership

### 1:30 - 4:00 pm, ALL MEMBERS

August 7 & 8: 8:00 am – 4:00 pm, ALL MEMBERS

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# Marching Band Camp (overnight): Sunday, August 10 – Saturday, August 16

Location: Shrine Mont, Orkney Springs, VA Bring: See Orkney Marching Band Camp packet

# **Remaining August Practices**

August 19 – 22: 8:00 am – 4:00 pm, All members August 25 – 28: Time to be Announced, All members

# Performances

# Marching Band Performances at Home Football Games

August 29: Woodson September 19: Annandale October 10: Chantilly October 24: Robinson (Homecoming) November 7: Herndon (Senior Night)

# **Marching Band Performances at Away Football Games**

September 5: Glory Days Grill Challenge @ Madison High School

# Pep Band Plays at Away Football Games - No Marching

October 17: @ Centreville

#### **Marching Band Competitions**

September 13: Location TBD September 20: Location TBD September 27: **Oakton Classic** October 11: Location TBD October 18: Location TBD November 1: Location TBD



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# **Bring to All Marching Practices**

- Lunch
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- ③ Music
- Instrument
- Orill Charts
- Poker Chips
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- O Athletic Shoes & Socks
- <sup>(ii)</sup> Rain Gear (Will practice in light rain)
  - ✓ Zip lock bag to keep cell phone/electronics dry
- Sunscreen
- Good attitude

# **Dealing with Mother Nature: Hot Weather**

- <sup>☺</sup> Wear:
  - ✓ Lightweight and light colored clothing
  - ✓ Decent athletic shoes no flip flops or sandals, and no bare feet
  - ✓ Socks
  - ✓ Sunglasses
- Get and use a water bottle
- Use and reapply sunscreen every day
- © Eat healthy food

# **Cold Weather: Football Games & Competitions**

- ③ Wear layers of clothing, thermal underwear, and hat
- ③ Brass players must be careful of frozen mouthpieces

# How to Access Parent Information in

- Log on to <u>www.charmsoffice.com</u>.
- Locate the "PARENT/STUDENT LOGIN" section of the web page.
- Login to your student's program account using the following log-in: oaktonbands.
- This brings up the main parent page.
- When you enter your student's ID NUMBER, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ another more detailed screen appears with even more options to view your student's financial records. Enter your student's ID FIRST then you may create your own, unique password by clicking on the "keys icon."
- Two areas in which you can help the director maintain his/her records:
  - Student information form You may make changes to your child's student information page (such as updating phone numbers and email addresses if they change) to help the director communicate with you more effectively.
  - The Director can **text** your student if the **cell phone number AND cell carrier information is filled in**. This will be very helpful with last minute changes to rehearsals.
- Most importantly, the parent page assists both you and the teacher to <u>communicate</u> with each other.

Each student has been assigned a personal ID number. This number will allow only you to access to your student's information. If you cannot access your student's information, contact Cheri Turner, Charms Administrator, for assistance at: <a href="mailto:charmsadmin@oaktonbands.com">charmsadmin@oaktonbands.com</a>.

# **Fundraisers**

To help offset the cost of participating in the Band program BBOHS holds several fundraisers throughout the year. The funds raised cover the costs of the concert band program including concert uniforms, and allow for the purchase of instruments and other items needed to maintain the quality Oakton Band program. For more information about the fundraisers visit our website at <u>www.oaktonbands.com</u>.

## **Tag Day**

The Band's biggest fundraiser takes place in September; participation by all Band students is expected. Students "tag" homes in the Oakton High School jurisdiction, asking for donations to support the Band program. Parents help by ensuring their student's participation and hosting neighborhood groups of students.

#### **Florida Citrus**

Once each month from November through March you, your friends and family can purchase Florida Citrus from the Band. The fruit arrives on a truck and students and parents help unload and sort the orders.

# GLScrip

Purchase gift cards from over 600 retailers to use for everyday purchases (groceries, gas, restaurants, hotels, fast food, department stores) or gifts. Register at the <u>www.glscrip.com</u> website, order the gift cards you need, and pay via check or debit (PrestoPay).

#### White House Ornaments

Beginning with Back-to-School nights and throughout the Christmas season you have the opportunity to order White House Ornaments from BBOHS. These ornaments make perfect holiday gifts as well as wedding and anniversary presents.

### **Campbell Labels**

Help the Band earn points by placing your Campbell labels in the Campbell's container in the Band hallway. Eligible product brands include Campbell's®, Franco-American®, Goldfish® crackers, Healthy Request®, Pepperidge Farm®, Prego®, SpagettiOs®, Swanson®, and V8®.

#### eScrip

Each year, use the Band number 149520308 to register your Safeway card or credit or debit cards at escrip.com. Shopping at Safeway with your card will earn donations for the Band and get you Club prices. Or shop online at over 1000 stores through the eScrip Online Mall link on the Band website. Ask family and friends to link to Oakton Bands, too. Renew yearly.

#### **Harris** Teeter

Pick up a VIC card at the nearest Harris Teeter store and link to the Band Boosters TIE number 5341. This links your card to the band for the entire school year. With each Harris Teeter brand purchase a percentage of your purchase is credited directly to the Band account. Renew yearly.



This is your chance to earn an extra hour of sleep at Orkney! All students who attend the car wash that earns the most money get to sleep in one morning!

July 19: Band Council - everyone attends

July 26: Class of 2016 & 2017 (Juniors & Sophomores)

August 2: Class of 2015 & 2018 (Seniors & Freshmen)

Three car washes are held during the summer. Students who attend the car wash that makes the most money are allowed to sleep in one morning at Orkney. Proceeds from the car washes go toward Band Council funds and are used to make major purchases for the band program, presented at the annual Band awards banquet in June.

All car washes are held at the Giant in Hunter Mill Plaza, Oakton. Please note, we also need several adults to be present during the car washes. If you have any questions, please email <u>President@Oaktonbands.com</u>



# Forms Summary Index: Marching Band 2014



Please detach the remaining portion of the Marching Band packet and fill out each form completely. Please turn in during either of our Marching Band Registration Nights, June 2 or 3 in the OHS Library, from 5:30-9:00 pm. Thank you!

# Forms in this packet:

Page 1: T-Shirt Size/Replacement Request and Photo Release Form

Pages 2 - 8: FCPS Field Trip forms for Marching Competitions and Away Football Games

# Form provided at registration:

Oakton High School Marching Band Commitment Form

Student's Full Name:

# **T-Shirt Size/Replacement Request**

REQUIRED FOR ALL STUDENTS: Please circle your student's T-Shirt size:

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• Each student will receive a Show T-shirt.

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- Each student must wear colored T-shirts to all marching practices, both at school and at Orkney. • All students need one shirt of each color: red, green, blue, yellow and orange.
- If your student is new to marching, all five colored T-shirts will be provided.
- If your student has his/her T-shirts from last year, he/she may use them again this year.
  - If your student needs a replacement shirt(s), circle the color(s) needed and one will be provided.

If a replacement shirt is needed, please circle the color your student needs:

Red Green Blue Yellow Orange

Phone Number (if we have any questions):

Please note: If size information is provided after June 30, 2014, we will not be able to guarantee that you receive the size you requested.

# **Photo Release Opt Out**

You have the right to choose whether your student's photograph is published or not. The Band only posts photos on the Band's password protected photo sharing site. If you want to prohibit the publication of photographs of your student in Band media, put an X below.

( ) Do not publish photographs of my student





(This form and an attached field trip description are required for all field trips.)

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(This form and an attached field trip description are required for all field trips.)

IMPORTANT DIRECTIONS: (1) Use one form per trip, (2) Complete the school portion (top half) of form, (3) Duplicate one form per student, and (4) Send a copy home for parent and student signatures.

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your child signs up or pays for the trip.

## OAKTON HIGH SCHOOL BAND 2014-2015 Dr. VanValkenburg director@oaktonbands.com

#### **COURSE GOALS/OBJECTIVES:**

- To demonstrate an understanding of instrumental techniques including tone, intonation, time, and facility as applied to band literature
- To learn the fundamentals of reading and performing music elements: pitch, rhythm, melody, harmonic structure, style, form, expression
- To develop individual and ensemble skills through playing: articulation, balance, blend, expression, stage presence, confidence, cooperation
- To perform music written for multiple parts with independent stability and ensemble unity
- To demonstrate an understanding of performance etiquette through participation in required concert performances
- To evaluate music performances in written and verbal form using music vocabulary and concepts
- To study and play selections representing various historical periods, styles, and cultures, including music of the 20<sup>th</sup> century\*

\*FCPS supports the study of various genres of band literature including, but not limited to: Sacred, Secular, American Folksongs, Multi-Cultural music, Traditional Spirituals, 20<sup>th</sup> Century Music, Major Band works or Classics. A reasonable balance of each within a year will be the intent of the director.

Link to Intermediate Band FCPS Program of studies: <u>http://www.fcps.edu/is/pos/documents/es/bandInter.htm</u> Link to Advanced Band FCPS Program of studies: <u>http://www.fcps.edu/is/pos/documents/es/BandAdv.htm</u>

### **GRADING POLICY:**

Daily Evaluations	20%	
Playing Tests	30%	
Performance Assessments	30%	
After School/Extra Rehearsals	20%	

#### **FCPS Grading Scale**

А	(93-100) = 4.0	C+	(77-79) = 2.3	F
A-	(90-92) = 3.7	С	(73-76) = 2.0	
B+	(87-89) = 3.3	C-	(70-72) = 1.7	
В	(83-86) = 3.0	D+	(67-69) = 1.3	
B-	(80-82) = 2.7	D	(64-66) = 1.0	

### • Daily Evaluation (20%)

Students will be asked to perform selected parts of the music being prepared. A grade will be assigned to each daily rehearsal. Students should be in their seat with their instruments assembled on time, prepared with required materials, and ready to rehearse selected parts of the music. Students are expected to be focused and on task in the rehearsal for the entire period.

(below 64) = 0

### • Playing Tests (30%)

Most playing tests will be assigned as home tests, to be recorded and emailed to the director at <u>jamievanvalkenburg@gmail.com</u>. Requirements and due dates will be posted on Blackboard. Late submissions will be given partial credit. Failure to perform a playing test by the concert performance date will result in a grade of F (50%) for that particular test.

## • Performances (30%)

Attendance at all performances is required. Furthermore, students are required to stay for the entire concert and help with stage clearance and band room set-up afterward. Roll will be taken only when the directors have agreed that all work is completed.

## • After School/Extra Rehearsals (20%)

Attendance at all after school and extra rehearsals (marching band included) is required. Excused absences will follow the normal school day attendance policy. A grade will be assigned to each rehearsal. Students should be in their seat with their instruments assembled on time, prepared with required materials, and ready to rehearse selected parts of the music. Students are expected to be focused and on task in the rehearsal for the entire period.

### **Final Course Grade calculation:**

1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter Grade:	2/9
2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter Grade:	2/9
3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter Grade:	2/9
4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter Grade:	2/9
Final Exam Grade:	1/9

# PERFORMANCE ATTENDANCE

Performance absences will be handled on a case by case basis in relation to the following general policy:

### Excused Absence

Excused absences from performances will be granted for personal illness or family emergencies. No make-up assignment will be required. Students will not earn or lose points for the missed performance. A written note or email from the parent is required.

### **Conditionally Excused Absence**

Every attempt should be made to enable the student to perform in the concert. The performance calendar is provided in advance for your planning purposes. Parents, please do your best to plan ahead to ensure the best experience for your child. However, a student may be granted a conditionally excused absence in limited instances to be determined on a case by case basis.

Advance notification of any absence from a performance is required. Parents, please provide notification as far in advance as possible.

A student who is granted a conditionally excused absence from a performance will be required to perform all of the material for the missed performance, and will coordinate with the director to arrange the make up for the missed performance.

### **Unexcused Absence**

Unexcused absences will be determined in accordance with the Oakton High School policy. An unexcused absence will result in a failing grade.

### **Tardiness**

Please allow extra time for traffic. Plan ahead, remember the old saying, "to be early is on time and to be on time is late." Be considerate of your fellow performers and be at the performance early. For extreme tardiness, please provide a note from your parent.

### From the Oakton handbook:

## **EXCUSED ABSENCES/TARDIES**

For purposes of credit and grading, reasons for excused absences include: illness of the student, death in the family, medical or dental appointment, personal religious obligations, or other reasons acceptable to the principal or his designee according to regulation 2601.23P. The current version of Regulation 2234 provides additional details. **Please note that the principal may require a physician's note in cases of chronic or long-term illness.** Parents and students are encouraged to prearrange excused absences. (FCPS Reg. 2234)

## UNEXCUSED ABSENCES/TARDIES/SKIPPING CLASS

Reasons for unexcused absences may include family and /or student vacations, child care situations, non-school related activities, missed school bus, most cases that involve private transportation, or other reasons unacceptable to the principal or his or her designee. Skipping class may result in disciplinary consequences according to the OHS Attendance Policy

# OAKTON HIGH SCHOOL HONOR CODE

## **Oakton High School Honor Code Mission Statement**

Oakton High School is a school of honor. In order to cultivate ethical practices for life-long learning, students will gain an understanding that their word and their work have real meaning. To avoid compromising standards of integrity, students will communicate with their teachers to clarify expectations for ethical practices.

### Cheating, Copying, and Plagiarism

Plagiarism involves taking the words or ideas of another (including materials available on the Internet) and presenting them without giving credit to the source, thereby suggesting that the words or ideas are the student's own. Work containing ANY plagiarized material is subject to sanction.

Some assignments will be submitted to Blackboard's Safe Assign or a similar plagiarism checker.

Cheating in class, copying homework assignments and plagiarizing will result in student, parental and administrative notification. Suspected violations of the Honor Code will be reviewed by the Oakton High School Honor Council. Violations will be recorded into the student's SASI file and consequences for offenses as specified in the Honor Code will be imposed. Depending on the number of violations, consequences may include not receiving credit for an assignment; coaches and club sponsors being notified of the violation; probation or dismissal from an Honor Society; not being able to run for an SGA position or participate in Student Leadership; Saturday school; and or out of school suspension or suspension from extra-curricular activities.

### **Honor Pledge**

Students will abide by and (upon the teacher's discretion), sign the following pledge when completing tests or assignments:

"Integrity far outweighs any grade I could receive because it is a true representation of my character. In order to respect myself, I pledge to only put forth work that is my own and will encourage my peers to do the same."



# **CLASSROOM RULES & EXPECTATIONS:**

## **Instruments and Equipment**

• Students are to be prepared each day with the proper instrument, accessories and music.

# **Classroom Etiquette**

- A positive attitude and professionalism
- Come to class prepared, with all needed supplies
- To leave the classroom, students must have director permission and use the designated hall pass.
- Students must be in the room by the time the tardy bell rings. Three unexcused tardies will result in after school detention and six unexcused tardies will result in a referral.
- According to OHS Personal Device Usage policy cell phones must be turned off during all band rehearsals. If you phone is confiscated it will be deposited with the class administrator if they are used in class.
- General disruptive behavior disciplinary procedures
  - 1 First Warning
  - 2 Second Warning with parent phone call
  - 3 After School Detention with parent phone call
  - 4 Referral to administrator

# **Emergencies**

- In case of emergency, follow directions given by the teachers.
- For fire drills, file out quietly and wait for the teacher to call roll.
- For evacuations, file out quietly and wait for the teacher to call roll and give directions.
- For tornado drills, file into the hallway quietly and assume the protective position.

# OAKTON HIGH SCHOOL BAND 2014-2015 Dr. Jamie VanValkenburg

## **SYLLABUS SIGNATURE PAGE** (*To be completed and returned to Dr. VanValkenburg*)

Print Student Name		B	Band Class	
I have read	l and understan	d the following policies for BAND.	(Please initial each.)	
Student	Parent	_ GOALS/OBJECTIVES		
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Due by Monday, September 15, 2014