



Purpose

The primary goal of the South Oldham Band is to provide young people an experience in music that is both enjoyable and educational.

Why Join?

- Great orientation to high school.
- New friendships.
- New experiences.
- Love of music.
- Takes care of required arts and humanities credit.
- To become a part of one of the most outstanding and successful group of students at SOHS!

CONCERT ENSEMBLES

Class Options

- Concert Band
- Advanced Wind Ensemble
- Percussion Ensemble
- Advanced Percussion Ensemble

Class Requirements

- Concert Band and Percussion Ensemble - successful completion of middle school band.
- Advanced Wind Ensemble and Advanced Percussion Ensemble - students are selected by audition in the spring of the previous year.

Class Information

- Performance of concert literature – perform approximately four school concerts per year.
- Also performs at KMEA Concert Band Assessment in the Spring
- Performs as pep band at basketball games (approximately 4 games required)
- Some after school rehearsals required (approximately 1-2 per concert)
- Fulfills high school arts and humanities requirement
- Advanced Wind Ensemble students are also required to audition for KMEA All-District and All-State Band and participate in KMEA Solo and Ensemble Festival (Concert Band students are encouraged to these events as well)

Fees

- \$60 fee
- Part of fees paid at registration at the start of the year
- This fee is used to cover band expenses such as music, instruments, sectional instruction, trip transportation, etc.
- The only additional expense of being in a band class will be for optional participation in honors band events

To Enroll

- Sign up for Concert Band or Percussion Ensemble when you turn in your course scheduling form later this month
- If you audition for Wind Ensemble or Advanced Percussion Ensemble we will change your schedule later

MARCHING BAND

Marching Band Commitment

- Extra-curricular activity.
- Rehearsals in the summer and fall.
- Perform at home football games and approximately 7 competition performances.
- Marching band students (except colorguard) are required to be in a band class
- All band students are strongly encouraged to participate in marching band.

Marching Band Summer Rehearsals

- 7/10-7/14 –
 - Pre Camp Rehearsals and New Member Rehearsals (9 a.m. – 12 a.m.)
 - Percussion Camp (times tba) - required for all percussionists
 - Guard Camp (times tba) -required for all colorguard members
- 7/17-7/21
 - Band Camp Week 1 – 7/17 – 7/21, MWF 9 a.m. – 5 p.m., TR 9 a.m. – 9 p.m.
 - Band Camp Week 2 – 7/24 – 7/28, M-R 9 a.m. – 9 p.m., F 9 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.
- 7/31, 8/1, 8/3, 8/7, 8/8 - 6 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Marching Band Fall Schedule (Tentative)

- Monday, Tuesday, Thursday – 4:15 p.m. – 6:15 p.m. starting 8/10
- Friday rehearsals (Starting in September when there is no football game) - 4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
- Colorguard and Percussion – one sectional night rehearsal TBA

Marching Band Performances (dates tentative)

- Three regular season competitions on Saturdays in the Fall (three of the following dates tba: 9/16, 9/23, 9/30)
- SOHS Competition 10/14
- KMEA State quarterfinals 10/21
- KMEA State semi-final/final competitions 10/28
- Possibly Midstates Band Championships 11/4
- All home football games (approx. 5-6) on Friday nights

Marching Band Fees (Estimated)

- Season Fee - \$500
- \$100 Non-Refundable Deposit Due by May 15
- Remainder due by July 10
- Fees are used for transportation, music, equipment, instruments, uniforms, uniform cleaning, instruction (beyond band director), food for camp and competitions, t-shirts
- Shoes - \$35

Trip

- Every two years the marching band takes a trip
- Participation is optional, but encouraged
- Next year is a trip year! We will be traveling to Orlando in the spring of 2016!

Colorguard

- Colorguard is a group that performs with the marching band
- SOHS has had a long tradition of having one of the best color guards in the state!
- All the information above is the same for color guard as it is for band.
- Spring Training rehearsals will be held May 9, 11, 16, 18, 25, and 30 from 6 p.m. – 8 p.m.

How to Join Marching Band

- We will be having spring training rehearsals for brass and woodwind players on April 18, 25 and May 2, and 9 from 4:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. (percussion spring training tba)
- These rehearsals allow us to get organized before the summer and give students a chance to try out marching band before they commit.
- Orientation Meeting for all members and parents – May 9 – 7 p.m.- SOHS Cafeteria
- There will be \$100 deposit due May 15. A commitment form will also be due at this time.

Questions?

Contact Ryan McAllister, Band Director

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WE HOPE YOU WILL DECIDE TO BECOME A PART OF THE SOUTH OLDHAM HIGH SCHOOL BAND NEXT YEAR!