

Parents and Students:

Thanks!

Thank you to everyone that took part in the Lincoln Test Drive Fundraiser. We don't have any information yet on the amount of funds raised but I know many parents signed up and we really appreciate it!

Music Turn in For All Students

Many students have asked about turning in music from last year, but we have not had things organized enough to go ahead and process all of that material. We are now ready! Tomorrow (Tuesday) is music turn in for all upperclassmen. Anything that you still have from last year we need (concert music, warm-up books, jazz band music, small ensemble or solo music). We will have things setup in the band room to accommodate all of this music turn in. Even students will turn their music in on Wednesday. Freshmen students and students new to Olathe East shouldn't have any material that they need to turn in.

Celebrations

We had a wonderful showing at District Band auditions last week! We had a total of 21 students selected to an ensemble! We have a long tradition of having one of the largest groups of students selected every year and I am so proud of these kids stepping up and carrying that tradition forward. All of these students will now be eligible to audition for the Kansas All State Band next semester!

Gold Band

Caleb Hernandez, Clarinet
Josh Laughlin, Alto Sax
Colvin Hoskins, Tenor Sax
Billy Sharp, Trombone
Caden Miller, Euphonium
Liam Courson, French Horn

Red Band

Dylan Slocombe, Tenor Sax
Cameron Castaldi, Trumpet
Audrey Henkel, Mallets
Jessie Fish, Snare

Blue Band

Jack McGregor, Piccolo
Anna Billam, Oboe
Jeremiah Valenzuela, Clarinet
Claire Heigele, Clarinet
Sydney Watson, Clarinet
Jordan Culton, Bass Clarinet
Scott Boyack, Baritone Sax
Avery Prather, Trumpet
Joseph Bledsoe, Euphonium
Sam Eaton, Snare

Jazz Band

Ben Lodge, Alto Sax

Playing Tests

As we near the end of the semester we are needing to hear students play by themselves. Thus, we have assigned some playing tests. We are using the new Music First web-based software program that the boosters purchased subscriptions for all students in the program. All students received training in class so everyone should know how to log in and proceed with their tests. There are assigned tests in there for Concert Band and Marching Band right now. There will be Jazz Band and Percussion tests added soon. Please let us know if you are having any trouble logging in. We have posted the link to the website on the front page of the band website for easy access (www.oeband.com).

Thanks,
Mr. Smikahl