



2018 Marching Band Season Calendar

The marching band program at Olathe East is the most visible part of the program within the community. However, it is also one of the most time intensive. The choice to participate in the most involved portion of the program should not be taken lightly. This is a large commitment as the entire group's success is based on the responsibility, reliability, and overall contribution of every individual member of the group. All rehearsals and performances are required and are a part of their band grade.

- During the school year, rehearsal begins at 7 a.m. four days a week (M, T, W, and F).
- We **do not rehearse on Thursday** mornings due to the block schedule.
- We have rehearsals **every Monday evening** from 7 to 9 p.m., starting on **Monday, August 6th**, and concluding on **Monday, October 22nd**. The only Monday we will not have a scheduled rehearsal during that time span is Labor Day and on Monday, October 1st, which is the Olathe District Marching Festival.

Important Dates:

Please note that we learn about 60% of our show during the summer camps. If you have conflicts please email me as soon as possible. I will deal with these conflicts on a case by case basis and try to be as flexible as I can, but if you miss camp without setting up prior arrangements with Mr. Smikahl you will lose your spot in the show.

Pre-Camp

- Saturday, June 2nd Camp Carwash- All members required to fill a two hour shift- times TBA
- Monday, June 4th new marchers and section leaders report and drumline (pit and battery) report. - camp runs from 7 a.m. to 11 a.m. and 1:00 to 3:30 p.m. with an open unsupervised lunch
- Tuesday, June 5th, Wednesday, June 6th, and Thursday, June 7th all members report. -- camp runs from 7 a.m. to 11 a.m. and 1:00 to 3:30 p.m.

Drumline Camp (this includes all pit members as well) and Leadership Team Camp

- Monday July 23rd and Tuesday July 24th -- camp runs from 7 a.m. to 11 a.m. and 1:00 to 3:30 p.m.

Band Camp

- Wednesday July 25th – First Full Day of Band Camp-- All members report from 7 a.m. to 11 a.m. and 1 to 3:30 p.m.
- Thursday July 26th - Camp continues for all members with the same schedule
- Friday July 27th - Camp continues for all members with the same schedule
- Saturday July 28th - Camp Carwash- All members required to fill a two hour shift- times TBA
- Monday July 30th to Thursday Aug. 2nd - Camp continues for all members with the same schedule
- Friday Aug. 3rd -- Morning rehearsal for all members 7 a.m. to 11 a.m. - leadership Team members stay to help setup for evening performance after rehearsal. No rehearsal in the afternoon.

Required Performance Dates

- Orange and Blue BBQ—Friday, Aug. 3rd 6pm @ Olathe East, in the Main Gym- This is our first performance and largest fundraiser of the year please make plans to attend.
- Home Football Games (5)
 - Friday, August 31st vs. Olathe North @ CBAC
 - Friday, Sept. 14th vs. OW @ CBAC *Homecoming
 - Thursday, Oct. 4th vs. SMW @ CBAC
 - Friday, Oct. 12th vs. Pittsburg @ ODAC
 - Friday, Oct. 19th vs. OS @ CBAC *Glow Show & Senior Night
 - Playoffs start the last week in October (10/26) and continue into November on Friday nights—if OE hosts, we will perform at those as well. State is the Saturday after Thanksgiving and if the team makes it, we will play at the state game also.
- Old Settler's Day Parade: Saturday morning, Sept. 8th
- Olathe District Marching Festival: Monday evening, October 1st @ CBAC
- **Marching Festivals**

Please reserve the following dates for these important competitions. Please do not schedule college visits or family trips during October! If you have conflicts with these dates please let Mr. Smikahl know by April 1st. Students involved with fall sports in particular please check with your coach on dates and let me know about potential conflicts.

 - **Shawnee Mission North Marching Invitational:** Saturday, Oct. 13th @ SMN
 - **KBA Marching Championships:** Saturday, Oct. 20th @ Washburn University
 - **Bands of America Super Regional:** Friday, Oct. 26th-Sunday, Oct. 28th in St. Louis, MO

Extra Rehearsals

We usually have a few extra rehearsals during marching season that we schedule in the fall. I would like to go ahead and get those on the calendar so that everyone can keep these times clear as well. Times will be announced in the fall but please make sure you take off of work and treat these rehearsals like performances. They will be graded.

- Saturday, September 29th- We will rehearse at CBAC from 8:00 a.m. to Noon.
- Friday, October 12th- We do not have school that day but do have a game. We will plan to report early for the game that afternoon and have a rehearsal.
- Friday, October 19th - School is out this day but we traditionally have a rehearsal. Please keep this entire day open, the length of the rehearsal will depend on how the show is going at that point. We have a football game that evening as well.

Please don't hesitate to contact one of us
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have any questions! We are excited to have your child join us for a fun
and successful marching season!