



OTSEGO BAND BOOSTERS

PO Box 141

• Otsego, MI 49078

GREETINGS

Welcome to another marching band season! Planning, organizing and prepping for the 2014-15 marching season is now in full swing. We hope that you and your band student are as excited as we are to begin this new season.

As a parent of a band student in grades 6th – 12th, you play an important part in the Otsego Band program. Your support is invaluable – from getting your child to and from their practices and their performances, attending your band student's performances, and assisting the high school band with instruments and uniforms during football games, parades, and band competitions. We couldn't do this without your support.

At the high school level, it takes a lot of hands to pull off a successful marching band season from the marching staff that design the programs and prepare the band students for performances, the uniform moms who make sure that your child looks great when they hit the field marching, the band dads who load and unload the trailers for competitions and parades, the band parents that provide food for festivals, etc., the band parents that help with fundraising events, and the band parents that help publicize all band events. This year we are looking at 100+ students for the new season. We would love to have you join us.

At the middle school level, there are many opportunities for you to become involved from assisting with fundraising events (i.e., Allegan Fair Concessions booth, Otsego Band Invitational (OBI) activities), helping with uniforms for the eight grade band students, attending Band Boosters meetings to stay informed of what is happening in your child's band program, and attending your child's band performances. We would really love to have you join us.

Please take time to look over the enclosed list of band volunteer opportunities to see where you could possibly help out throughout the 2014-15 year.

Sincerely yours,




Andy Black, President
Jayne Stamurs, Vice President
Peggy Walker, Treasurer
Lisa Fall, Secretary



PARKING

As a reminder to all parents and staff, please park in the spaces provided between the middle school and the high school buildings. **DO NOT PARK** behind the band room as it makes it very difficult to maneuver the band trailers within that area in order to load the equipment and uniforms. **DO NOT PARK** along the curb when picking up your student following band competitions and parades. This area needs to remain clear for incoming buses and to provide a safe environment for student traffic during pick-up times. We will appreciate your help in keeping these areas clear for the instrument and uniform trailers and to help keep your band students safe.

VOLUNTEER POSITIONS

-  **Photographer:** Is needed for indoor photos during uniform fitting at band camp. You will need to provide backdrop, lighting, equipment and knowledge
-  **Band Dads:** Are needed to load and unload trailers for marching competitions
-  **Uniform Moms:** Are needed to help with hand sewing, i.e. hemming pants and jacket sleeves, during Band Camp. Help is also needed to uniform the kids before and after band competitions and football games.

If you would like more information on any of these areas, please e-mail [Andy Black](mailto:obbpresident@gmail.com) at obbpresident@gmail.com.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

There are many opportunities to volunteer. If you are interested in any of these areas, please speak to one of the Booster officers and we will gladly answer any questions that you might have and will happily introduce you to the volunteers currently working in these areas. We would love to have you join us and we look forward to working with you.

Loading Trailers

Uniform Fittings

Allegan Fair Booth

OBI

**Providing food,
treats, and water**

**Handing out
uniforms**

Pit Crew

Parades

MARCHING BAND CAMP

🎵 **Marching Band Uniform Fittings**

Please bring your theme t-shirt orders to Band Camp on Monday at 10:30 AM. It is critical to have your theme t-shirt order on time due to the fact that these shirts must be worn for Cedar Point Trip on Saturday!
Please bring your uniform accessories orders to your scheduled uniform fittings.

SENIORS – Monday, August 4th from 12:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

JUNIORS – Tuesday, August 5th from 12:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

SOPHOMORES – Wednesday, August 6th from 12:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

FRESHMEN – Thursday, August 7th from 12:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

🎵 **DO NOT SCHEDULE ACTIVITIES DURING YOUR BREAK ON THE DAY OF YOUR FITTING.** Fittings can take a while, especially for sophomores and freshmen. We want to make sure that your uniform fits you well so please be patient and plan to stay for your fitting day.

🎵 **Uniform Accessory Orders**

Gloves, shoes, wristbands and Color Guard jacket orders are due with the payment on **Friday, August 8th**. If you are unsure of sizes, your student will be fitted for gloves and shoes during their uniform fitting day. All orders for gloves and shoes will be filled once your student has been fitted for the correct size. Please call **Shannon Black @ 377-3252** with any uniform questions you might have.

🎵 **Brag Buttons**

We will be ordering the brag buttons again this year for \$5.00. Please note the deadline for payment is August 8th. Please e-mail the Band Boosters at otsegobands@gmail.com with any questions that you might have.

🎵 **Decals & Tumblers**

Various vehicle window decals will be available during the full band camp for \$5.00 each.
Insulated tumblers will also be available during the full band camp for \$16.50 each.

🎵 Help **“KEEP US KOOL!”** – We are asking that each band student bring in \$1.00 to purchase and maintain a large Igloo jug cooler(s) for band camp, parades and other events.





IMPORTANT BAND CAMP REMINDERS

- ♪ Learn your music prior to band camp. Music is available at otsegobands.com
- ♪ Drink plenty of water **BEFORE** and **DURING** band camp.
- ♪ Bring snacks to munch on during breaks and a water bottle.
- ♪ Eat a good breakfast before you come to band camp.
- ♪ Bring sunglasses, sunscreen and wear hats for shade. These items are strongly recommended during band camp.
- ♪ **NO** flip flops. For your own safety and the safety of others, please wear good shoes (e.g., tennis shoes)
- ♪ The weather **DOES NOT CANCEL** band camp!
- ♪ Don't forget to pack a dinner. There will be a dinner break during the afternoon practice.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION on T-SHIRT ORDERS

This year's themed T-shirt for 'Magic' and the generic T-shirts are available for ordering. It is expected that all students in the High School band program will wear the themed shirt **WITH** their marching uniform and at **ALL** food stops following a performance. This includes Drumline and Color Guard as well. For this reason, all band students are required to buy at least one themed T-shirt and are required to wear these shirts at **ALL** performances. It is very important that all band students are wearing the themed T-shirt in order to be easily identified as an Otsego band student to help insure their safety. Your first order **MUST** be turned in by **Monday, August 4th**.





Be sure to check the enclosed band schedule for your band student's full schedule of events. This list covers some of the important dates that we would like band parents to be aware of.

JULY

28th – Aug 1st *Drumline, Sideline, & Color Guard Band Camp*
Otsego High School from 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. with a break from 12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.

AUGUST

2rd *Freshman Basics Begins*
Otsego High School from 8:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

4th *Freshman Basics Continues*
Otsego High School from 8:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

4th FULL BAND CAMP begins
Meet in the High School Band room at 10:30 a.m. following Freshman Basics
Hours: 10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. and 4:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.
Theme T-shirt Orders Due

4th *Freshman Parents Meeting*
7:30 p.m. in the High School Band room

5th – 8th FULL BAND CAMP
Hours: 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. and 4:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.

8th *ORDERS DUE for uniforms (shoes, gloves, etc.) & brag buttons.*

9th *Cedar Point Band trip*
More details to follow

SEPTEMBER

5th *ORDERS DUE for t-shirts. This will be your last chance to order t-shirts this marching season.*

5th – 13th *Allegan County Fair Concessions. You can sign up for shifts to work during Band Camp.*

11th *Allegan County Fair Parade (approximately 5:30 – 9:00 p.m.).*

27th *Otsego Band Invitational (OBI). This is an all day event at our Bulldog Stadium*

“Friends of the Band”

This program is held each fiscal year through the Otsego Band Boosters program. Beginning each June a new campaign begins again as the previous year's funds have been spent on items for the band program. The money that is raised each year is used to purchase items for the band programs at the high school level and at the middle school level. This money is used to provide items that enhance the band programs that the school budget does not, or cannot, cover. Items to be purchased will be recommended by the band booster board and voted on by you, as a member of the band boosters, in April or May's general boosters' meeting.

“Friends of the Band” will be recognized by having their name printed in each concert program and the OBI program of that year. Donations are tax deductible and forms are available upon request. The following are the four levels of contribution:

Gold Member..... \$200.00+

Blue Member..... \$100.00 – \$199.00

White Member.....\$ 50.00 – \$99.00

Will be Noted in program..... \$ 49.00 or less



2014 - 2015 High School Band Performance Calendar

All of the following performances are mandatory and graded. Please write all dates down on your calendar ASAP. Thank you for your support. Let's have a great year!!!

July

28th - August 1st Drum line and Guard Camp 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

August

2nd - Freshman Basics - 8 - 10 a.m.
4th - Freshman Basics - 8 - 10 a.m.
4th - Band Camp Begins 10:30 - 12 p.m. & 4:30 - 9:30 p.m.
5th through 8th - Band Camp continues 8 - 12 p.m., & 4:30 - 9:30 p.m.
9th - Cedar Point Trip
18th - Night Rehearsal 4:30 - 9:30 p.m. - Stadium
20th - Night Rehearsal 4:30 - 9:30 p.m. - Stadium
26th - Night Rehearsal 6:30 - 9:30 p.m. - Stadium
28th - Home Football Game (Paw Paw) Parents Night 5:15 - 9:00 p.m.

September

2nd - Night Rehearsal - 7:00 - 9:30 p.m. - Stadium
9th - Marching Band Rehearsal - 7 - 9:30 p.m. - Stadium
11th - Allegan Fair Parade 5:30 - 9p.m.
12th - Home Football Game (Dowagiac) 5:15 - 9:00 p.m.
16th - Marching Band Rehearsal - 7 - 9:30 p.m. - Stadium
20th - Rockford Invitational - Evening - Morning rehearsal (8:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.) Parade at 12:00 noon
23rd - Night Rehearsal - 7:00 - 9:30 p.m. - Stadium
26th - Home Football Game 5:15 - 9:00 p.m. (Three Rivers) Purple Game
27th - Otsego Band Invitational - Stadium - All Day
30th - Night Rehearsal - 7:00 - 9:30 p.m. - Stadium

October

6th - Night Rehearsal - 3 - 5 p.m. - Stadium
7th - District 10 Band Festival - Evening - Zeeland
11th - Grandville Invitational - Morning rehearsal (8:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.)
14th - Night Rehearsal - 7:00 - 9:30 p.m. - Stadium
17th - Home Football Game (Homecoming - Plainwell, pre-game performance, Homecoming Parade at 5:45 p.m.)
18th - Jenison Invitational -Morning rehearsal 8 - 10 a.m.
20th - 24th Auditions begin for Concert and Symphonic Band
24th - Home Football Game 5:15 - 9:00 p.m. (Vicksburg)
31st - 1st Football Playoff Game (reserve date) Based on Football season

November

7th - 2nd Football Playoff Game (reserve date) Based on Football season

December

4th - Combined MS & HS Holiday Band Concert - 7 p.m. - H. S. Auditorium
6th - Holiday Parade - 6 p.m. (Saturday)

January

31st - High School Solo & Ensemble Festival - East Kentwood

February

4th - High School Pre-Festival Concert - 7 p.m. - H. S. Auditorium
19 - 20th - Hosting District 10 Band Festival - All Day - H.S. Auditorium

March

21st - High School State Solo & Ensemble Festival

April

1st - Collage Concert Auditions - during class
22nd - 23rd - Hosting State Band Festival - H.S. Auditorium - Tentative on State Approval
29th - Collage Concert Rehearsal - 8 - 10 p.m. - H.S. Auditorium
30th - 30th Annual Collage Concert - 7:30 p.m. - H. S. Auditorium

May

21st - Band Awards Dessert Banquet - 6 p.m. H.S. Auditorium
22nd - Swingout 1 p.m.
25th - Memorial Day Parade - No Seniors, Meet at 7:30 a.m.
29th - Graduation - 7 p.m.

2014 – 2015 OHS Band

**Glove / Wrist Band / Shoe / Color Guard Jacket
ORDER FORM**

Dear Band Student & Parent(s):

Each marching band student is required to have one pair of white marching gloves and white marching shoes for the season. Drumline, Sideline, & Color Guard do not require gloves. Color Guard are required to have one pair of Color Guard shoes. It is recommended that Drumline have wristbands for their jacket sleeves.

Please fill out this order form and send it with payment during band camp by **Friday, August 8, 2014**.
 Unsure of sizes? We will be happy to fit your son/daughter before filling his/her order.

Student's Name: _____ Parent Name: _____ Phone: _____

GLOVES – Cotton	Qty	Total	GLOVES – Grip Palms (Tuba & Baritone players only)		
X-Small \$2	_____	\$ _____	X-Small \$3	_____	\$ _____
Small \$2	_____	\$ _____	Small \$3	_____	\$ _____
Medium \$2	_____	\$ _____	Medium \$3	_____	\$ _____
Large \$2	_____	\$ _____	Large \$3	_____	\$ _____
X-Large \$2	_____	\$ _____	X-Large \$3	_____	\$ _____

GLOVES – Leather (Drum Major)					
Size (Women's) \$20	_____	\$ _____	(Men's)	\$20	_____
					\$ _____

Drumline, Sideline & Color Guard are not required to order gloves. **Total Glove Order \$ _____**

WRISTBANDS – Drumline only \$6.00 each Qty _____ **Total Wristband Order \$ _____**

SHOES – allow for growth, indicate wide width with size & circle Men's or Women's for marching shoes below

- Colorguard Shoes – women's sizes 4 ½ to 12, including half sizes, Medium widths only
- White Marching Shoes – women's sizes 5½ - 12 including half sizes. Wide widths 7 to 11
- White Marching Shoes – men's sizes 5½ to 16 including half sizes up to 11½, Wide widths 6½ to 14, including half sizes (except 13½, 14½, & 15½),

White Marching Shoes – Circle one: Men's / Women's

Size	Price	Total
_____	\$30	\$ _____
_____	\$30	\$ _____

Colorguard Shoes – Women's

Size	Price	Total
_____	\$25	\$ _____
_____	\$25	\$ _____

Colorguard Jacket

Size	Price	Total	Name to appear on jacket _____
_____	\$35	\$ _____	

TOTAL ORDER \$ _____
 Please make checks payable to: "**Otsego Band Boosters**"

PAYMENT IS DUE WITH ORDER FORM & ORDERS WILL NOT BE PROCESSED WITHOUT PAYMENT.

NO LATE ORDERS WILL BE PROCESSED AFTER THE DUE DATE.
 Questions? Call Shannon Black @ 377-3252

Go to www.otsegobands.com for more information about Otsego bands

OHS Band 2014-2015 Shirt Order

Dear Band Parent(s):

The generic shirts are available this year in Dark Blue. The artwork for the theme shirt is designed specifically for the current year's marching show. Theme hoodies and zipped hoodies will have the front theme design on the back of the garment. They will not have the marching schedule on the hoodies. Please fill out this order form and send it with your payment by **Monday, August 4th. Late orders cannot be accepted.**

Student Name: _____ Parent Name: _____ Phone #: _____

<u>Generic T-Shirt</u>	Qty	Total
Small	\$12 _____	\$ _____
Medium	\$12 _____	\$ _____
Large	\$12 _____	\$ _____
X-Large	\$12 _____	\$ _____
XX-Large	\$12 _____	\$ _____
XXX-Large	\$12 _____	\$ _____

<u>Theme T-Shirt</u>	Qty	Total
Small	\$12 _____	\$ _____
Medium	\$12 _____	\$ _____
Large	\$12 _____	\$ _____
X-Large	\$12 _____	\$ _____
XX-Large	\$12 _____	\$ _____
XXX-Large	\$12 _____	\$ _____

<u>Generic Long Sleeve T-Shirt</u>	Qty	Total
Small	\$17 _____	\$ _____
Medium	\$17 _____	\$ _____
Large	\$17 _____	\$ _____
X-Large	\$17 _____	\$ _____
XX-Large	\$17 _____	\$ _____
XXX-Large	\$17 _____	\$ _____

<u>Theme Long Sleeve T-Shirt</u>	Qty	Total
Small	\$17 _____	\$ _____
Medium	\$17 _____	\$ _____
Large	\$17 _____	\$ _____
X-Large	\$17 _____	\$ _____
XX-Large	\$17 _____	\$ _____
XXX-Large	\$17 _____	\$ _____

<u>Generic Crew Neck Sweatshirt</u>	Qty	Total
Small	\$20 _____	\$ _____
Medium	\$20 _____	\$ _____
Large	\$20 _____	\$ _____
X-Large	\$20 _____	\$ _____
XX-Large	\$20 _____	\$ _____
XXX-Large	\$20 _____	\$ _____

<u>Theme Crew Neck Sweatshirt</u>	Qty	Total
Small	\$20 _____	\$ _____
Medium	\$20 _____	\$ _____
Large	\$20 _____	\$ _____
X-Large	\$20 _____	\$ _____
XX-Large	\$20 _____	\$ _____
XXX-Large	\$20 _____	\$ _____

<u>Generic Hoodie</u>	Qty	Total
Small	\$22 _____	\$ _____
Medium	\$22 _____	\$ _____
Large	\$22 _____	\$ _____
X-Large	\$22 _____	\$ _____
XX-Large	\$22 _____	\$ _____
XXX-Large	\$22 _____	\$ _____

<u>Theme Hoodie (Design on Back)</u>	Qty	Total
Small	\$22 _____	\$ _____
Medium	\$22 _____	\$ _____
Large	\$22 _____	\$ _____
X-Large	\$22 _____	\$ _____
XX-Large	\$22 _____	\$ _____
XXX-Large	\$22 _____	\$ _____

<u>Generic Zip Front Hooded Sweatshirt</u>	Qty	Total
Small	\$25 _____	\$ _____
Medium	\$25 _____	\$ _____
Large	\$25 _____	\$ _____
X-Large	\$25 _____	\$ _____
XX-Large	\$25 _____	\$ _____
XXX-Large	\$25 _____	\$ _____

<u>Otsego Bands Baseball Cap</u>	Qty	Total
	\$20 _____	\$ _____

Shirt Total: \$ _____

Please make checks payable to: "[Otsego Band Boosters](#)"

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Questions? Call Peggy Walker @ 269-650-3990

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BRAG BUTTONS

A picture of your band student will be taken at the uniform fittings for the Brag Button photo. We will only make a Brag Button for orders received. Cost is \$5.00.

Please fill out this order form and make checks payable to **Otsego Band Boosters**. Order must be received by **Friday, August 8th**. You can send the order form and payment with your band student during band camp or mail them to -
Otsego Band Boosters, PO Box 141, Otsego, MI 49078



Qty	Total	Student
_____	\$ _____	_____
_____	\$ _____	_____
_____	\$ _____	_____



2014 OTSEGO BAND INVITATIONAL (OBI)

We would like to invite you to place a student ad in this year's OBI program. This is a great opportunity for parents, grandparents, and friends to show their pride and appreciation for their favorite Otsego band student(s). If you have a file or a picture that you would like us to use, please send it to Jayne Stamurs at otsegobands@gmail.com. We will be able to scan the original picture and return your photo to you. Deadline to place an ad in the OBI Program is **September 12th**.

If you would like to place a ¼ page ad in this year's OBI program, please send \$5.00 along with your photo and your phrase that you would like printed with your band student's photo to:

**Otsego Band Boosters
 Attn: 2014 OBI Student Ad
 PO Box 141
 Otsego, MI 49078**

Join us at OBI on September 27th, 2014 in the Otsego Bulldog Stadium to watch the bands perform.

Otsego Band Boosters
CONTACT INFORMATION

Director	Brent Morrisson	<i>bmorrisson@otsegops.org</i>
Director	Mitch Piersma	<i>mpiersma@otsegops.org</i>
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Drumline Instructor	Will Alderman	
OBB President	Andy Black	<i>obbpresident@gmail.com</i>
OBB Vice President	Jayne Stamurs	<i>j3stamurs@yahoo.com</i>
OBB Secretary	Lisa Fall	<i>otsegobands@gmail.com OR lisa.s.fall@wmich.edu</i>
OBB Treasurer	Peggy Walker	<i>pswalker43@aol.com</i>
Uniforms	Shannon Black	<i>we6lovejesus@gmail.com</i>

Otsego Band Booster Code #99120 - Please consider adding this code to your Meijer Community Rewards account.



Otsego Bands Webpage – Please watch for the latest information by going to www.otsegobands.com
Please visit often and consider volunteering opportunities.

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