

Owen Valley High School

Band Handbook

2023-2024



Patriot Band & Guard

Dylan Cramer and Christopher Halstead, Directors

www.ovband.org



Dear Parents and Guardians,

On behalf of the Owen Valley Middle/High School Music Department, welcome to the 2023 - 2024 school year! We here at OV are looking forward to yet another year of making music with all of you. This handbook should serve as your number one resource for all questions pertaining to our program. Be sure to read it thoroughly!

As always, I would like to take a moment to welcome all new members to our program. Here's to the memories and friendships that you will make over the next years at Owen Valley Middle/High School, and within our program. I know that we will have a great year practicing, learning, and performing together.

In this Handbook you will find policies, procedures, and guidelines for all of our various ensembles at Owen Valley Middle/High School. Please take the time to read the handbook in its entirety and ensure that your students understand their responsibilities. The end of this document will contain several pages, which should be signed and returned to the school no later than the first week of classes. If your student is involved in the Patriot Band and Guard, all forms are due at the first day of band camp. We are looking forward to another great year with all of you. Best wishes for a successful year for both you and your student!

- Mr. Cramer and Mr. Halstead

You may reach us at the following emails or by calling the HS at 812-829-2266

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Owen Valley Band Boosters

The Owen Valley Band and Guard Boosters are a 501 (c) (3) non-profit organization that operates separately from the Spencer-Owen Community Schools system. Organizational decisions will be determined by voting members of an elected board made up of parents/guardians of band and guard students. We are a non-discriminatory group.

The operation of The Boosters is exclusively for charitable and educational purposes to aid all band and guard programs of SOCS. Assistance to programs shall include, but are not limited to: providing financial support through fundraisers and donations; purchasing and maintaining equipment and uniforms; organizing band and guard related events; assisting band directors with planning and logistics; informing the community of band activities and achievements; purchasing awards; chaperoning students; assisting with recruiting new members and retaining current members; maintaining effective communication with The Boosters, directors, family members, and students; and advocating for the best interest of the program.

We not only provide financial, logistical, and communication support, but also encourage a positive culture within the band and guard family. We aim to foster our students' artistic talents, help build character and confidence, teach responsibility and dedication, promote positive interpersonal relationships, and help develop necessary skills such as teamwork, time management, and discipline.

By upholding the purpose and mission of this organization. The Boosters will help maintain consistency through the annual changes of the Patriot Band and Guard student members, families, staff, and Boosters.

Booster Board

President	Katie McDaniel	ovband.guard@gmail.com
Vice President	Erin Donahue	
Secretary	Brandi Wright	
Concessions	Sara Shade	
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Description of Bands and Activities

OVMS

Beginning Band

The first band class students will take at OVMS. Students will be split into course sections based on their instrument type: woodwinds, brass, or percussion. Students will learn basic technique on their instruments and have three to four performances per year.

Intermediate Concert Band

Students in their second year of playing and still split into course sections based on instrument section. Students will play slightly more advanced literature and continue to develop their technique on their instruments. Four to five performances per year, including a trip to ISSMA Contest in the Spring.

MS Jazz Ensemble

An auditioned curricular group of MS students. This ensemble is mostly composed of second year players playing their standard wind instruments with select members on drumset, piano, and guitar. Students will meet during third period and work on music for several jazz festivals, including the ISSMA Jazz Festival in March.

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Symphonic Band

Intermediate level band class designed to give more individualized instruction to students at OVHS. Students in this ensemble are split into two classes that meet at the same time, one for all wind players, and one for all percussion. The literature is moderate in nature and allows for students to grow immensely musically during their time in the ensemble.

Wind Ensemble

The Wind Ensemble is the top performing ensemble at Owen Valley High School. Members are selected to perform in this ensemble based on past performance and instrumentation needs. Students in this ensemble should have a serious interest in developing their musical talents and performing advanced level literature. This ensemble is split into two course sections, one for winds, and one for percussion, both of which meet at the same time.



HS Jazz Ensemble

An auditioned curricular group of students grades 9-12. This ensemble is composed of students performing on saxophone, trumpet, low brass instruments, drum set, piano, bass, and guitar. Auditions open in November, and the ensemble gets the opportunity to travel to three to four area Jazz Competitions as well as ISSMA Jazz Festival.

HS Pep Band

An extra-curricular ensemble that all OVHS band students are encouraged to participate in. The Pep Band serves a vital role in the school community supporting our Varsity Basketball teams at home games throughout the basketball season.

Patriot Band and Guard (Marching Band)

The Patriot Band and Guard is open to all students grades 9-12. Rehearsals begin in early June and go through early November. This ensemble performs at all football games and Saturday competitions. All band and guard students must be in attendance for all rehearsals from band camp through the completion of the marching season. For winds and percussionists, participation in an OVHS Band Class is required. Special consideration may be given to interested and talented 8th graders may be made by the directors. Middle and high school students may be admitted to the color guard on an audition basis.

Indoor Percussion

Indoor Percussion is a small auditioned group of winds and percussion students grades 9-12 performing with only percussion instruments. Auditions for this ensemble begin in late November, and rehearsals are December - March. OV Indoor is a movement based ensemble, similar to marching band, that performs at all Indiana Percussion Association events during the winter and spring seasons. Students in this ensemble perform a competitive show inside of various gyms around the state of Indiana.

Color Guard

Color Guard is an umbrella term that refers to both the Fall and Winter seasons. During the Fall, the Owen Valley Color Guard performs as members of the Patriot Band and Guard (marching band). Students in this group will learn guard choreography, equipment work, and dance techniques to utilize as a part of the marching band (Fall) and during the Winter seasons. Winter Guard consists of two groups, Cadet and Varsity, that learn different guard routines to a set list of music and themes. Winter Guard groups perform regularly in the state of Indiana between January and March.



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Google
Calendar



Google Calendar

All Band and Guard department events are added to this Google Calendar. I encourage you to subscribe so that you can see all of our events in one place!

https://calendar.google.com/calendar/embed?src=sq1goqhbq8sim1sqfbg8an6j4g%40group.calendar.google.com&ctz=America%2FNew_York



Remind Text Service

Remind is a free text based notification service that is used throughout the MS and HS band programs. This is the best way to receive updates from directors regarding upcoming events, travel updates, or other important announcements. You can download the Remind app from both the Apple Store and Google Play stores. In order to receive updates, just enter your students class code, provided below, in the app or text the code to “81010”

MS Beginning Band: ovbmsb

MS Intermediate Band: ovbmsi

HS Marching Band: ovmb23

HS Color Guard: ovcg

HS Percussion: ovperc23

HS Concert Band: ovhsch

HS Jazz Band: ovjazz

HS Indoor: ovindoor



Private Lessons

Private lessons are strongly encouraged for all students who are able to participate. Private lessons are extremely valuable to a students musical growth, and are a time for students to focus on instrument-specific skills such as, solo repertoire, tone production, extended techniques, and other specific skills that cannot be taught in a full band setting.

Private lessons teachers offer the opportunity for students to grow individually on their instruments, and all charge a small fee. If you are interested, please contact Mr. Halstead or Mr. Cramer, and then reach out to the appropriate private lessons instructor below.

<u>Instruments Offered</u>	<u>Lessons Provider</u>	<u>Email Information</u>
Horn, Trumpet, Bass, Piano	Landon Curtis	landonlessons@gmail.com
Oboe/Double Reeds	Brooke Meadows	brookemeadows@msdlt.k12.in.us
Guitar	Lex Barrett	barretivity@gmail.com
Trombone/Baritone	Travis Floyd	travisfloyd55@gmail.com

Fees

Band Fees are collected at the beginning of each extra curricular season and have the option to be paid over several months by following a fee schedule. These fees are used to help pay for contest entry fees, transportation, uniforms, props, instructional staff, music, drill, and several other fees. Concert Band classes do not have any associated fees outside of purchasing the necessary equipment for their instrument, their band book, or their band polos.

Assistance with Fees

We are aware of the expenses associated with being a member of the band program. Throughout the year we offer several opportunities for you to earn credit towards your students band fees. These opportunities are listed below.

1. **Annual Car Wash**
 - a. Students and family members earn credit proportional to the profit of the band and choir based on the amount of hours worked.



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2. Sibling Discount

- a. Students with a sibling in the marching band earn a \$25 sibling discount on their fees per season. This discount is \$15 for Indoor Drumline.

3. Trailer Pulling

- a. Individuals who volunteer to pull trailers for band competitions will earn compensation based on mileage pulled.

4. March-A-Thon

- a. Annual marching rehearsal fundraiser for students designed for them to earn sponsorships from friends and family for their marching band season fees.

5. Cheesecake Fundraiser

- a. Annual fundraiser conducted in the Spring. Students earn \$7 per cheesecake sold, credited directly to their charms accounts.

If there is an instance of financial hardship for any family that wishes to participate in our program, please reach out to Mr. Halstead or Mr. Cramer. No one should ever be denied the opportunity to participate in the band program because of financial hardship.

Below you will find a fee breakdown for each organization.

Beginning Band

- Instrument Rental Fee (If renting from the school): \$50 per school year, \$15 per summer
- Method Book for your students instrument: \$10
- Band Polo: \$20
- Instrument Specific Supply lists will be distributed prior to the school year beginning

Intermediate Concert Band

- Instrument Rental Fee (If renting from the school): \$50 per school year, \$15 per summer

MS Jazz Band

- No additional fees

Symphonic Band/Wind Ensemble

- Instrument Rental Fee (If renting from the school): \$50 per school year, \$15 per summer

HS Jazz Ensemble

- No additional fees

Indoor Drumline*

- \$200 membership fee per season, used for travel, uniforms, music, and staff



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- \$325 membership fee per season, used for travel, uniforms, music, and staff

Winter Guard*

- \$300 membership fee per season, used for travel, uniforms, equipment, and staff

Cadet Guard*

- \$200 membership fee per season, used for travel, uniforms, music, and staff

***Each of the above organizations will receive a separate document from this handbook outlining a fee schedule that can be followed throughout the season.**

How to Pay Band and Color Guard Fees

- 1) Online - See Charms instructions below
- 2) Silver Box - Place payments in an envelope marked with the student's name & a description. Place payment in the silver cash box by the band office.
- 3) Mail - Mail check payable to Owen Valley Band Boosters -
 - a) PO Box 4

www.charmsoffice.com is the website that the Owen Valley Band & Guard programs use for communication and student accounts. Please add CharmsEmailSender@charmsmusic.com to your email contacts in order to ensure that emails don't get caught by your spam filters. Individual accounts are set up for each student. These accounts may be used by the student for band fees, instrument needs, and uniform needs. The accounts are funded by payments into the account and/or credits earned by student fundraisers. You can view your child's account anytime by logging into Charms.

Charms - How to Login for the 1st time

Go to www.charmsoffice.com

Click the "LOGIN" button

Select "Parents/Students/Members"

Enter the school code: OwenValleyBand

The student password will be your child's OV Student ID # (This # usually begins with 900.)

You will then be prompted to change the password.



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Password must have: a minimum of 8 characters (include alpha & numeric characters, & 1 capital letter.) (No symbols!! It won't accept any symbols)

Write your Charms password down & keep it for future reference.

Share any password changes with all adults financially responsible for your child.

Charms - How to Check Your Student's Account Balance & Make Online Payments

Go to www.charmsoffice.com

Click the "LOGIN" button

Select "Parents/Students/Members"

Enter the school code: OwenValleyBand

Enter your password

Click on "Finances" (the wallet or \$ icons)

To make an online payment: Click "Make Miscellaneous Payments"

*There will be a \$2 fee for using the online payment option. This helps cover the cost billed to us from processing the card

Charms - What to do if you forget your password

If you don't know your Charms password, you or your child will need to email a band director. They will send you a link that is valid for 24 hours to change your password.

Charms - Make sure emails make it through spam

Add CharmsEmailSender@chamsmusic.com to your email contacts to ensure that important emails from the band don't wind up in your junk or spam folder.

Marching Band Payment Options

- New Marchers and those that have outgrown their shoes will be billed an additional \$35 in July or ASAP.
- Color Guard members are required to purchase personal items like gloves, shoes, etc.



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Option #1: Payment in full (\$300)

Payment Date	Payment Amount
July 28, 2023	\$300

Option #2: Payment Plan (\$325)

Payment Date	Payment
July 24, 2023	\$65
August 21, 2023	\$65
September 18, 2023	\$65
October 23, 2023	\$65
November 13, 2023	\$65

Policies and Procedures

Attendance - Attendance is mandatory at all rehearsals and performances! Any absences from all or part of a rehearsal will require a written excuse from parents or a doctor giving an explanation for the absence. Notes must be given to Mr. Cramer or Mr. Halstead and should be turned in, in advance of the absence when possible.

- Please manage your time wisely and plan ahead.
- Students with jobs will be expected to be at all rehearsals, please inform your employer accordingly.
- Plan family parties, vacations, doctor appointments, etc. around rehearsals.
- Schoolwork, big tests, papers due, etc. are not excuses to miss rehearsal.
- Last minute absences (illness, family emergency, etc.) should be communicated from the parent not the student.

Early is On Time - We ask that members arrive at rehearsal **10-15 minutes** early. This allows them enough time to prepare for rehearsal, get equipment, clear rehearsal areas, rehearse any parts they need extra work on, etc... Please plan your rides accordingly.

Rehearsal Clothing - Students should wear comfortable and weather appropriate clothing to all rehearsals. Students should always comply with the dress code policy found in their student handbooks.

School Owned Instruments & Equipment - All school owned instruments and equipment borrowed by a student are the student's responsibility. Loss or damage to the instruments and



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equipment will be charged to the student if this is a result of student negligence. For example, if a student falls during a marching band rehearsal and damages the horn, the student will not be held responsible. The student *will* be responsible if they are “messing” around during a break and they damage the instrument.

Instrument Repair – Proper daily instrument maintenance: oiling the valves, greasing the slides, swabbing out the instrument, etc., is the best way to avoid instrument repair, which can become very costly depending on the instrument and type of repair needed. For school owned instruments, necessary maintenance and repairs are covered by the band department, excepting cases of overt negligence by the student. For personally owned instruments, students will need to accept the cost of repairing the instrument. Any necessary repairs should be reported to the directors immediately – sometimes we are able to fix small repairs in house. Again, the emphasis should be placed on preventive maintenance.

Paige’s Music Company handles all school instrument repairs and we strongly recommend all personal instrument repairs to them as well. Year after year, we have found Paige’s to be the most reliable, cost-effective, instrument repair shop in the Indianapolis area. A representative from Paige’s visits the high school each Wednesday to pick up and drop off instruments, making this the most convenient option for both school and personal instrument repairs.

Paige’s Music Company

5282 E 65th Street
Indianapolis, IN 46220
(317) 842-1099

School Owned Instrument - Repairs

- Remove items from your case (mouthpiece, reeds, any personal items, etc)
- Call Paige’s and request a loaner instrument
- Fill out repair slip (front of band room)
- Place the instrument under the table at the front of the band room before 1st period on Friday
- Once your instrument has been repaired & returned, leave Paige’s loaner for pick-up

Personal Owned Instrument Repairs Through Paige’s:

- Remove items for your case (mouthpiece, reeds, any personal items, etc)
- Call Paige’s and request a loaner instrument
- Fill out the repair slip (front of band room), be sure to include all necessary contact information: name, phone number, etc.
- Place the instrument under the table at the front of the band room before 1st period on Friday.
- Once your instrument has been repaired & returned, leave Paige’s loaner for pick-up



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Reeds, Valve Oil, Drum Sticks, Gloves - These items are available in the music office for purchase and payable with cash, check, or a positive balance (marching band student's only) in the student's escrow account. You may also purchase items online at www.paigesmusic.com. These purchases will need to be paid online at the time of purchase and will be delivered to the HS at no additional cost on Friday afternoons.

Band Lockers

Students will be assigned a band locker at the beginning of the school year. This locker should only be used to store your instrument, music, and other instrumental accessories. If students are using a personal lock, they must share the combination or give a copy of the key to the band directors. If students do not provide a personal lock, a school combination lock will be provided to them upon request. Students are not allowed to store food or any items prohibited by the school in their locker.

Bus Rules - Students must follow all school bus rules and be respectful of the driver and chaperones. No glass containers or hard candy! Carry-ons must fit under the seat or in your lap and sound equipment must be used with headphones. Nothing can be in the aisles or blocking an emergency exit.

Leaving Contest Site With A Parent - Parents/Guardians wanting to take their child home from a contest site must turn in a completed [Student Release Form](#) and sign out with a chaperone. Both student and parent will need to be present and the chaperone might ask for parent identification. The student is responsible for making proper arrangements for their uniform and equipment.

Itineraries - A detailed schedule for performance/competition days will be emailed to you the week of the event. It will include admission costs, competition locations, and all necessary times for the day.

Care of Uniforms - Students are not permitted to eat or drink (except water) in uniform. Always be aware of your surroundings and avoid sitting or leaning against anything that might stain the uniform. Students are responsible for hanging their uniform properly and returning it to its assigned spot. Any issues with your uniform should be immediately reported to a staff member.

Social Media & Videos - As a member of Owen Valley Band & Guard you are expected to portray yourself, your group, your school, and the school district in a positive manner at all times.

Do NOT share any videos of rehearsals or performances on social media. There are strict copyright and synchronization laws regarding sharing of music. Everyone is welcome to follow our public social media pages listed at ovband.org

Instrument Rental - Students who need to rent an instrument from the school will need to pay \$50 per school year. Any student who wishes to keep their instrument over the summer must pay



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an additional \$15 per summer. This money goes directly into the instrument repair budget and is used when sending instruments to Paige's Music for repair. Contract Rental fees are due before students are permitted to take their instruments home.

Dismissal Policy - Students involved in any band or guard activity are expected to be role models and set the standard for the rest of the student population regarding behavior and citizenship. All participants are required to abide by the school's Patriot Code, whether on or off campus. Disciplinary action taken by the directors or the school may also determine whether a student is eligible to participate in rehearsals, parades or competitions.

Drug and Alcohol Policy - Per the Spencer Owen Community Schools student handbook all students who participate in extracurricular activities are subject to random drug testing. Any student caught with possession of drug, tobacco, vapes, or alcoholic paraphernalia will be subject to immediate membership review and indefinite suspension until further notice from a Director. Students will also be referred to the school administration for further disciplinary action.

Students dismissed from an extracurricular ensemble (Marching Band, Winter Guard, etc.) will not receive a refund on any paid fees for the season.

The policies below are related to the Grading Policies of our curricular classes.

Classroom Participation - A student's behavior, effort, and engagement in class will be evaluated. Due to the performance based nature of the class it is necessary for students to work together to achieve class performance objectives. Students that participate fully are better prepared to meet classroom expectations and objectives and also provide a truer assessment of their own development and skills. A student will receive a participation score based on the criteria listed above under "classroom expectations".

Class Assignments - On a regular basis students will be given non-performance based assignments in class that will be used to reinforce concepts taught in class, to develop and use technical reading and writing skills within the performing arts curriculum, and to assess student achievement and comprehension of class concepts. Students may be asked to complete these assignments during class time or outside class time. Assignments that are assigned a due date must be turned in by the assigned date to receive full credit. Late assignments will be taken by Mr. Cramer/Halstead on a case by case basis and may receive partial credit.

Performance Check-ins - Students will receive assignments that they must perform in order to receive credit. Students will be asked to prepare and perform these assignments to assess student achievement and comprehension of class concepts.



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Performances - Student performances are the culmination of the work that the students put in at home and in the classroom and often mark the end of a class unit. The performances may include concerts, dress rehearsals, music festivals, contests, and other events that reinforce concepts taught in the classroom, broaden the musical experiences the student is exposed to, and allows them to develop skills that a student is not completely exposed to during classroom instruction (e.g. concert etiquette, overcoming performance anxiety, and evaluating performances).

Uniform Policy

An additional addendum to this document will be provided to this document with appropriate dress information for their performances. A brief summary of the uniforms for our non-marching groups is provided below.

HS Concert Band: ISSMA Attire

Option 1: School Owned Tuxedo Jackets, White Dress Shirts, Pants, Shoes. Students will need to provide their own undershirts to go underneath the outfit.

Option 2: Black dress, skirt, suit, pantsuit, or solid black dress clothing.

HS Concert Band: Fall/Winter/Spring Concert Attire

For our Fall, Winter, and Spring Concert students will be asked to wear “concert black”. This uniform consists of student provided dress clothing that is all black. For certain events, students may be permitted to wear additional items - such as winter hats - for the Winter Concert.

HS Pep Band: Game Attire

Students performing with the Basketball Pep Band will be required to wear their blue OV Parade Shirt (provided) and jeans/pants.

HS Jazz Band: Performance Attire

Students participating with the OVHS Jazz Band will be asked to wear concert black attire. Students will be provided with their choice of a blue scarf or tie for each performance.

OVMS Bands: Concert Attire

All students in OVMS Bands will be asked to wear their band polos (provided) and black pants to each concert throughout the school year. This will include students in MS Jazz Band.



Letter Requirements

Students who wish to earn a “letter” in Band must be enrolled in the Fall Patriot Band and Guard (Marching Band) for at least two seasons as a highschool student. Students must also complete two of the following items below.

- Additional year(s) of fall marching band or guard
- Varsity Winter Guard (1 season)
- Jazz Ensemble (1 season)
- Gold at State Solo and Ensemble
- Winter Percussion or OV Indoor (1 season)
- 36 hours of private lessons
- Selected for All-State Band (Jazz or Concert)
- Selected for IBA High School Honor Band
- Selected for an approved university honor band or summer music program

Students who believe they have fulfilled the lettering requirements should fill out [this form](#).

Students will only gain credit for events participated in while in grades 9-12



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SAT Testing Dates

SAT Testing Date	Band Conflict
August 26, 2023	March-o-Thon
October 7, 2023	ISSMA Regionals
November 4, 2023	Nothing!
December 2, 2023	Nothing!!
March 9, 2024	Indoor Percussion Prelims TBA
May 4, 2024	Nothing!
June 1, 2024	Nothing!!

Building Administration and Staff

Principal	Robert Boltinghouse	rboltinghouse@socs.k12.in.us
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MS Principal	Lisa Eldridge	leldridge@socs.k12.in.us
MS Assistant Principal	Tom Arthur	tarthur@socs.k12.in.us
Band Director	Dylan Cramer	dcramer@socs.k12.in.us
Assistant Director	Christopher Halstead	chalstead@socs.k12.in.us



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Owen Valley Middle School and High School Band Contract 2023 - 2024 School Year

My child and I have received and reviewed the information for the 2023 - 2024 Owen Valley Middle School and High School Band Handbook. My child and I acknowledge that we are responsible for knowing and understanding the policies set forth by the Handbook. If we have questions we may contact Mr. Halstead or Mr. Cramer.

Student's Signature

Date

Parent/Guardian's Signature

Contact Information:

Parent/Guardian's Name (Print) _____

Email _____@_____

Cell Phone _____ Best time to call _____



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Owen Valley Patriot Band and Guard Health Form 2023 - 2024 School Year

Name_____ Grade_____ Birth Date_____

Address_____ City_____ Zip_____

Parent/
Legal Guardian Name_____

Home Phone:_____ Work Phone:_____ Cell Phone:_____

Emergency Contact:_____ Relation:_____ Phone:_____

Health History:

Has your child had any operations within the past year? Yes_____ No_____

If yes, please describe:_____

Has your child had or continues to have any of the following conditions:

Rheumatic Fever: Yes_____ No_____ Epilepsy: Yes_____ No_____

Diabetes: Yes_____ No_____ How is it controlled? Diet_____ Insulin_____

Allergies: Yes_____ No_____

Any other medical information that the directors or staff members need to know about
your child?

Health History:_____



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Dietary Restrictions/Food Allergies: _____

Present Medications: _____

Family Physician: _____ Phone: _____

Physicians Emergency Phone Numbers: _____

Family Dentist: _____ Phone: _____

Emergency Medical Needs Contract

I give permission for the directors or corporation contracted staff members of the Owen Valley Patriot Band and Guard to seek treatment for my child by health care professionals for any and all medical emergencies under the following conditions: (1) If such problems would occur while my child is under their supervisions and (2) I am unable to be contacted to give permission

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

Insurance Company: _____ Group #: _____

NOTE: Please include a photocopy of your insurance card with this form.



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Owen Valley Patriot Band and Guard Member Contract 2023 - 2024 School Year

The Owen Valley Competitive Marching Band is a Co-Curricular activity sponsored by the Owen Valley High School Band Program.

Student Contract

I, _____, agree to become a member of the 2022 Owen Valley High School Marching Band and I will meet all of the expectations that this membership requires as written below. If I am unable or unwilling to meet these expectations, I understand that my failure to do so may, at the discretion of Mr. Halstead or Mr. Cramer, become grounds for my suspension or dismissal from this group and may impact my participation in future Owen Valley Band and Guard sponsored activities:

1. I understand that I am expected to attend all practices and performances as shown on the calendar accompanying this contract. I understand that any unexcused absences from practices or performances including leaving early or arriving late will be considered a failure to meet the expectations of this group. Excessive absences may result in my removal from the design of the show.
2. I understand that for an absence to be considered excused, it must adhere to the absence policy set forth by Spencer-Owen Community Schools and I must submit one of the following (no later than 24 hours prior to the scheduled rehearsal or performance (unless it is an emergency)):
 - a. A written note from a parent to Mr. Halstead and/or Mr. Cramer
 - b. Email to Mr. Halstead or Mr. Cramer at chalstead@socs.k12.in.us or dcramer@socs.k12.in.us
 - c. A message in the band office voice mail box (812-829-2266 x330)
3. I understand that absences that are not approved through Mr. Halstead or Mr. Cramer (such as sending a message by way of another student, or by contacting a staff member) will not be accepted as excused. I further understand that it is my responsibility to request time off of work or other responsibilities far in advance of these scheduled events to keep from missing practices and performances. Work conflicts will not be considered excused.
4. I will make on time fee payments as detailed below. If I or my family are unable to meet these payments due to financial hardship when they are due, we will contact Mr. Cramer or Mr. Halstead to make other arrangements. I will review the band handbook for detailed information regarding fees.

Payment 1 - \$65 July 24, 2023

Payment 2 - \$65 August 21, 2023

Payment 3 - \$65 September 18, 2023

Payment 4 - \$65 October 23, 2023

Payment 5 - \$65 November 13, 2023



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5. I understand that participation in the Owen Valley Band and Guard program is a significant commitment of my energy and time. I will make the arrangements necessary to make sure I keep up with my school work, remain physically fit, and maintain a positive attitude during performances and rehearsals.
6. I will complete a Health Form.
7. I will consent to participate in the Spencer-Owen School Corporation Random Drug Testing program that is required for extracurricular activities. I understand the use of tobacco, alcohol, and/or drugs may have consequences from Spencer-Owen Community Schools and law enforcement.
8. I agree to abide by all rules and regulations set forth by Owen Valley High School, Spencer-Owen Community Schools, and within the Band Handbook.
9. I will behave during Band and Guard Events, through messaging, and online through social media in a respectful manner and will uphold the image of Owen Valley High School and the Owen Valley Band and Guard Program.
10. I will not do anything that may endanger others or myself while being involved in a Band and Guard event.
11. After July 24th, if I and/or my parents choose for me to leave this group prior to the end of the 2022 season, for any reason, I understand that my decision may impact my chances to perform with this or any other Owen Valley Band and Guard activities in the future.

Owen Valley Patriot Band and Guard Member signature

Date

Member Name - Print

Grade



Owen Valley Patriot Band and Guard Member Contract 2023 - 2024 School Year

Parent Agreement

I/we have read through this agreement with my/our child and understand all of the expectations set forth by this contract. I/we agree to honor this agreement between my/our child and the Owen Valley Band and Guard. I/we will meet all financial obligations, get my/our child to practices and performances on time, and know it is m/our responsibility to remain informed about their grades and behavior at school. I/we will be supportive and encouraging of their efforts. If I/we have any questions, we know we can contact Mr. Halstead at chalstead@socs.k12.in.us, Mr. Cramer @socs.k12.in.us, or by leaving a voicemail for him at 812-829-2266 x330.

Parent 1 or Guardian Signature

Date

Parent 1 or Guardian Print Name

Telephone: _____

Email Address: _____

Best way to contact me is: (please circle one) phone email

Parent 2 or Guardian Signature

Date

Parent 2 or Guardian Print Name

Telephone: _____

Email Address: _____

Best way to contact me is: (please circle one) phone email



Patriot Band & Guard

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I am interested in helping the Patriot Band and Guard in the following way

(Please use "1" for parent/guardian number one and "2" for parent/guardian number two)

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| _____ Chaperone | _____ Serve food for functions |
| _____ Provide baked goods/food when needed | _____ Cleaning/Prep Days |
| _____ Pit Crew | _____ Assist with Uniforms |
| _____ Decorate for dances, dinners | _____ Help develop fundraisers |
| _____ Help make props | _____ Fair Booth |
| _____ Work Winter Percussion Show | _____ Provide snacks for trips |
| _____ Publicity/Take Photos | _____ Miscellaneous as needed |
| _____ Pull trailers (1/2 ton pick up minimum) | |