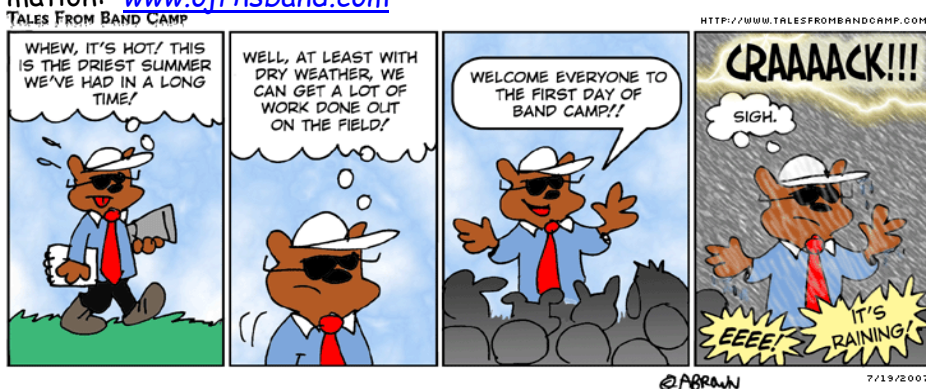




WELCOME BACK!!!

- BAND CAMP HELP THANKS:** Thanks to all for a great start to our season! From uniform distribution, to prop design & construction, to sizing & distributing uniforms, to handing out band camp dinners, to managing the sound system, to organizing band spirit wear, fundraisers, cavalcade program ads, and much more, a small community of parents & band supporters always come together to support the band at this time of the year and we are very thankful and appreciative of everyone's help!
- FALL PRACTICES:** Weekly marching band practices for the remainder of the season will be on Tuesday nights from 5:30pm to 8:30pm. Please remember, with only one group practice a week on Tuesday nights, that means there are **only 9 Tuesday night practices remaining through our final practice on October 22nd**, so missing even one of them is a big deal. Please do everything possible to be at each practice for the remainder of the season. We will be adding new visuals, drill, and other fun things to the show at each practice.
- TWIN VALLEY CAVALCADE DAY - SAT, SEPT. 14TH:** Our first cavalcade of the season is at Twin Valley High School on Saturday, Sept. 14th. *See attached schedule....*
- BAND UNIFORMS:** Our band uniforms are still new and beginning their 3rd year of service. We want to take care of them, of course, so please make sure the band uniforms always go home after every performance and they are either hung up neatly or taken to the dry-cleaner if necessary. Wearing a clean, neatly pressed uniform is important to the image that we want our band to present. Parents, if you could help with this each week it would be appreciated.
- OJR BAND PARENT (MPO) WEBSITE:** Our terrific OJR Band Parent Organization has their own website where they post regular announcements, pictures, volunteer information for parents, etc. You can visit our MPO's website at any time here: www.ojrbandmpo.com
- COMMUNICATION:** We try and use several forms of communication with the HS Band:
 - Monthly "Mengel's Minders" for the big things going on...
 - Weekly emails for the smaller things going on...
 - "Band" App Announcements on your Cell Phone for quick, short reminders as necessary. To sign up for the Band App Announcements on your phone, go to: <https://band.us/n/a7a2A4keZaR3x> Parents can do this too if you would like to!
 - Band website postings when possible with any major announcements and other information: www.ojrhsband.com



BAND SCHEDULE - Late August / September, 2024

- 8/27/24 Rehearsal - 5:30pm to 8:30pm
- 8/30/24 **HOME FOOTBALL GAME vs Pottsgrove**
 - Report 5:15pm
 - We perform PRE-GAME
 - Finish around 9:45pm for pickup
- 9/3/24 Rehearsal - 5:30pm to 8:30pm
- 9/6/24 **HOME FOOTBALL GAME vs Great Valley**
 - Report 5:15pm
 - We perform PRE-GAME
 - Finish around 9:45pm for pickup
- 9/10/24 Rehearsal, 5:30pm to 8:30pm
OJR Band Parent (MPO) Monthly Meeting - 7:00pm - MS Auditorium
All Band Parents Welcome!!!
- 9/13/24 **AWAY FOOTBALL GAME vs Avon Grove**
 - Report 4:30pm
 - We perform HALFTIME
 - Return to OJR approx 10:45pm for pickup
- 9/14/24 **CAVALCADE - Twin Valley High School**
See Attached Schedule Below...
- 9/17/24 Rehearsal - 5:30pm to 8:30pm
- 9/20/24 **HOME FOOTBALL GAME vs Perkiomen Valley**
 - Report 5:15pm
 - We perform PRE-GAME
 - Finish around 9:45pm for pickup
- 9/21/24 **CAVALCADE - Lampeter Strasburg High School**
See Attached Schedule Below...
- 9/24/24 Rehearsal, 5:30pm to 8:30pm
- 9/27/24 **HOME FOOTBALL GAME (Homecoming Game vs. Norristown)**
Middle School Band Night
 - Report 5:15pm
 - Middle School Band Performs Pre-Game
 - Norristown's Band Performs Halftime
 - We perform POST-GAME
 - Finish approx. 10:00pm

TWIN VALLEY CAVALCADE DAY – 9/14/24

SCHEDULE

- 1:15pm** Report to band room
1:30pm Practice in Stadium
4:00pm Meal together in cafeteria provided by OJR Band Parents
5:30pm Leave OJR
6:00pm Arrive at Twin Valley HS / Unload Instruments & Equip
7:00pm Cavalcade Begins – We watch the first 4 bands
8:00pm Intermission / Drumline Battle
8:20pm OJR Performance
9:15pm Mass Band Finale
10:00pm Leave Twin Valley
10:20pm Approx. Return OJR

Here is their performance schedule that night:

<u>SCHOOL</u>	<u>PERFORMANCE TIME</u>
Reading HS	7:00pm
Muhlenberg HS	7:15pm
Exeter HS	7:30pm
Fleetwood HS	7:45pm
<i>Drumline Battle</i>	8:00PM
Owen J. Roberts HS	8:20pm
Daniel Boone HS	8:35pm
Twin Valley HS	8:50pm
All-Band Finale	9:15pm

LAMPETER STRASBURG CAVALCADE DAY – 9/21/24 SCHEDULE

11:45pm Report to band room
12:00pm Practice in Stadium
2:30pm Meal together in cafeteria provided by OJR Band Parents
4:00pm Leave OJR
5:15pm Arrive at Lampeter Strasburg HS
6:00pm Cavalcade Begins – We watch the first 4 bands
8:00pm OJR Performance
9:45pm Leave Lampeter Strasburg
11:00pm Approx. Return OJR

Here is their performance schedule that night:

<u>SCHOOL</u>	<u>PERFORMANCE TIME</u>
J.P. McCaskey HS	6:00pm
Lancaster Catholic HS	6:15pm
Columbia HS	6:30pm
Manheim Township HS	6:45pm
<i>Intermission</i>	7:00pm
Ephrata HS	7:45pm
Owen J. Roberts HS	8:00pm
Elizabethtown HS	8:15pm
Conestoga Valley HS	8:30pm
Lampeter Strasburg HS	8:45pm