



MENGEL'S 'MINDERS: October, 2021

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1. **OJR CAVALCADE:** The 50th Anniversary OJR Band Cavalcade will take place on Saturday, Oct. 2nd, 2021 and it is going to be a great one! Help is still needed in many areas. Parents, to see where you may be able to volunteer, go to: www.ojrbandmpo.com/cavalcade The 50th anniversary cavalcade will feature an OJR Alumni Band with OJR musicians from the past five decades.
2. **SPRING MARCHING BAND TRIP TO DISNEY/UNIVERSAL:** The plans for our spring marching band trip to Orlando are in full swing! The 1st trip deposit in the amount of \$615.00 is due on Friday, Oct. 1st. Attached here is the "Student Account Withdrawal Form" if any of you would like to use funds from your student fundraising account towards your trip payment.
3. **PARENTS FEEL FREE TO CHEER LOUDLY!!!:** Parents, feel free to cheer loudly for us at our upcoming cavalcades & remaining performances. We definitely need your support and our band always performs better when we can see, hear, and feel that fantastic support from our enthusiastic OJR parent cheering section!
4. **DISTRICT BAND AUDITIONS:** District band is for current sophomores, juniors, and seniors and includes the best student musicians from all schools in Chester, Philadelphia, and Delaware counties and is an AWESOME opportunity and experience. Auditions this year will once again be held through online video submissions. Please visit the PMEA District 12 website for more information: <https://www.pmea12.org/auditions2021> Auditions are due online by Nov. 9th.
5. **FALL MARCHING BAND PRACTICES:** Weekly marching band practices for the remainder of the season will be on Tuesday nights in October from 5:30pm to 8:30pm. Please remember, with only one group practice a week on Tuesday nights, that means there are **only 4 Tuesday night practices remaining for the season**, 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.
6. **OJR BAND PARENT EQUIPMENT CREW, CHAPERONES, ETC.:** A quick shout out to our dedicated OJR band parent equipment crew and chaperones. We have a lot of great assistance each and every week and we couldn't do it without them!

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BAND SCHEDULE - OCTOBER

- 10/1/21 **HOME FOOTBALL GAME (Methacton) - Middle School Band Night**
 - Report 5:15pm
 - **OJR Middle School Band** will perform PRE-GAME
 - **Methacton's Band** will perform HALFTIME
 - **OJR High School Band** will perform POST-GAME
 - Finish around 10:00pm for pickup
 - Bring \$\$ for snacks during 3rd quarter

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| • 10/2/21 | OJR 50th ANNIVERSARY CAVALCADE - See Attached Schedule |
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- 10/5/21 Rehearsal - 5:30pm to 8:30pm
- 10/8/21 **AWAY FOOTBALL GAME (Perkiomen Valley HS)**
 - Report 4:45pm
 - We perform at Halftime (*tentative*)
 - Return approx. 10:30pm

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| • 10/9/21 | CAVALCADE (Penncrest High School) - See Attached Schedule |
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- 10/12/21 Rehearsal - 5:30pm to 8:30pm
- 10/15/21 **HOME FOOTBALL GAME vs. NORRISTOWN (HOMECOMING)**
 - Report 5:15pm
 - We perform Pre-Game (*tentative*)
 - Homecoming Ceremony is during Half-Time
 - Finish approx. 9:45pm
- 10/19/21 Rehearsal - 5:30pm to 8:30pm

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| • 10/20/21 | ELVERSON PARADE (<i>rain date 10/21/21</i>) |
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- Report 5:00pm
- Leave OJR 5:30pm
- Parade starts at 7:00pm
- Return approx. 9:00pm
- 10/21/21 *Rain Date for Elverson Parade*
- 10/22/21 **NO GAME TONIGHT - ENJOY YOUR FRIDAY NIGHT OFF!**
- 10/23/21 **SATURDAY AFTERNOON AWAY GAME (SPRING-FORD)**
 - Report 11:45am
 - Game starts at 2:00pm
 - We may perform Pre-Game (*tentative since this is their Homecoming Game, so we'll have to see*)
 - Return to OJR approx. 5:00pm

- 10/26/21 Rehearsal - 5:30pm to 8:30pm (**Final Rehearsal Of The Season**)
- 10/29/21 **HOME FOOTBALL GAME & SENIOR PARENT NIGHT**
 - Report 5:15pm
 - Senior Parent Recognition at Halftime
 - We perform Post-Game (*tentative*)
 - Finish / Pickup approx. 10:00pm

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 10/30/21 FINAL CAVALCADE (J.P. McCaskey High School) <i>Schedule to be announced, but this will likely be an <u>early morning</u> report time for our band that day.</i> |
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OJR CAVALCADE DAY SCHEDULE–10/2/21

- 1:30pm Report Time For All – Grab your instruments & equipment and head right down to the stadium.**
- 2:00pm – Practice in stadium with OJR Alumni Band (2:00 to 3:30)**
- 3:30pm – Head back up to band room (take your instruments), change into uniforms, return to stadium as a group, find our seating area in the stands, grab some food at our concession stands.**
- 4:30pm – Show Begins – Sit Together - Watch Other Bands Perform**
- 6:00pm – Meet at Stadium Main Gate to Welcome Middle School Band**
- 6:15pm – Watch Middle School Band Performance Together!**
- 6:30pm – Intermission – Watch Our Drumline Perform On Field
(After our drumline’s performance - Eat, mingle, meet people from other bands, etc.)**
- 7:00pm - Walk back up to band room**
- 7:15pm - Our warmup begins – behind the HS Cafeteria (by the loading dock)**
- 8:30pm – OJR PERFORMANCE**
- 8:45pm - Combined Alumni Band / HS Band Performance**
- 9:15pm – Massed Bands GRAND FINALE**
- 9:45pm – Pizza & Refreshments for HS Band & Alumni Band in HS Cafeteria**
- 10:15pm – Finish / Pick Up**

| SCHOOL | PERFORMANCE TIME |
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| Exeter | 4:30pm |
| Daniel Boone | 4:45pm |
| Manheim Township | 5:00pm |
| Twin Valley | 5:15pm |
| Penncrest | 5:30pm |
| Lancaster Catholic | 5:45pm |
| Springfield | 6:00pm |
| OJR Middle School | 6:15pm |
| Intermission – DRUMLINES | 6:30pm |
| Spring-ford MS | 7:00pm |
| Cardinal O'Hara | 7:15pm |
| Pottstown | 7:30pm |
| Tamaqua | 7:45pm |
| Upper Merion | 8:00pm |
| Lampeter Strasburg | 8:15pm |
| Owen J. Roberts HS | 8:30pm |
| OJR Alumni Band & HS (Combined) | 8:45pm |
| Massed Bands Finale | 9:15pm |

PENNCREST CAVALCADE DAY – 10/9/21

SCHEDULE

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| 10:15am | Report |
| 10:30am | Practice in Parking Lot |
| 1:45pm | Meal together in cafeteria provided by OJR Band Parents |
| 3:30pm | Leave OJR |
| 4:30pm | Arrive at Penncrest HS – Watch Other Bands During 1st Half |
| 8:00pm | Perform |
| 10:00pm | Leave Penncrest |
| 11:00pm | Approx. Return OJR |

**Here is their performance schedule that night
(gates open at 4:30pm)**

| <u>SCHOOL</u> | <u>PERFORMANCE TIME</u> |
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| National Anthem | 5:30pm |
| Brandywind HS | 5:40pm |
| Henderson HS | 5:55pm |
| Springfield HS | 6:10pm |
| Pottstown HS | 6:25pm |
| Intermission – Drumline Battle | 6:40pm |
| Valley Forge Military Academy | 7:30pm |
| Garnet Valley HS | 7:45pm |
| Owen J. Roberts HS | 8:00pm |
| Strath Haven HS | 8:15pm |
| Penncrest | 8:30pm |
| All-Band Finale | 8:45pm |

**AUTHORIZATION TO USE FUNDS FROM INDIVIDUAL STUDENT
FUNDRAISING ACCOUNTS**

OJR HS Marching Unit ORLANDO TRIP 2022

PAYMENT #1 - \$615.00

Due on or before October 1, 2021

(Return this form to Mr. Mengel **ONLY** if you want to use funds from your fundraising account.)

Student Name _____

_____ I would like to use \$ _____ (amount) from my MPO Student Account.

(Check) \$ _____ + (Student Account) \$ _____ = \$ 615.00

Please make all payments in checks and payable to: **“OJR MPO Band Chapter”**

Parent Signature _____ Date _____

Any questions about student account funds e-mail: treasurer@ojrbandmpo.com