



MENGEL'S 'MINDERS: January, 2022

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1. **GREAT HOLIDAY CONCERT:** Nice job at our holiday concert on Dec. 21st by everyone involved. Many thanks to Mrs. Kelly Erb for coordinating the holiday poinsettias for our stage and thanks to our audio team of parents for setting up all of our sound equipment and running sound that evening!

 2. **MARCHING BAND SPRING TRIP TO FLORIDA:**
 - Final Payments due Tuesday, Feb 1st. The amount of your final payment is based on your rooming situation at the hotel. If you would like to use funds from your student accounts, please use the attached form.
 - A full itinerary packet & practice schedule to prepare for our performance in Disneyworld will be distributed in the near future.

 3. **CONGRATULATIONS TO:** Congratulations to the following band members for qualifying for the very prestigious PMEA District 12 Band Festival. Danny Flogaus, Heather Greer, Lilly Heckler, Connor Heft, Melissa Wilson, Jake Ambrosio, and Natalie Nichols. Everyone is welcome to attend the concert which will be held at Springfield High School on Friday, January 28th at 7:30pm.

 4. **SUMMER PRACTICE SCHEDULE:** I know many of you are starting to plan your summer vacations and activities so I wanted to get our **tentative** summer schedule out as soon as I could. Attached here is the **tentative** 2022 summer marching band schedule. Our summer schedule will not be final until the OJR school board sets the dates for the beginning of next school year, so it is **possible that this schedule may change**, but it is my best guess for now based on the OJR school calendar for the past few years. Please remember, you need to be at band camp or we can't learn a show so please mark your calendars and make sure you are available during those weeks in August. Weeknight practices in September and October will be on Tuesday nights from 5:30pm to 8:30pm. A full schedule for the fall, including performances, will be distributed later this spring.

 5. **PRIVATE LESSONS:** Now is a great time to think about starting private lessons on your instrument. Private lessons absolutely make the difference when it comes to enhancing your musical skill level, qualifying for solos and other opportunities, etc. There are many good teachers in our area to take advantage of. Attached here is a list of private lesson teachers in our area. Feel free to contact any of them to talk about available options.
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SPRING, 2022 - A LOOK AHEAD

- Feb 1 Florida Trip Final Payment Due - \$615.00 (or balance due, depending on hotel room preference)
- April 12-16 **SPRING MARCHING BAND TRIP - FLORIDA**
- April 29 PASTA DINNER FUNDRAISER NIGHT
- May 5 **Spring Band Concert & Senior Awards - 7:00pm**
- June 10 Band Performance at OJR Graduation - 6:30pm - Stadium
(All Concert Band Members)

BAND PARENT MEETINGS **SPRING, 2022**

2nd Tuesday of each month

**See email communications from OJR MPO for
locations & details**

All Parents Invited!



**HAPPY
NEW YEAR!**

PRIVATE LESSON TEACHERS

POTTSTOWN AREA (Or Close By)

(Update 4/6/19)

FLUTE:

1. Dr. Lynne Cooksey 610-469-2518
2. Rachel Ficca 484-941-4835
3. Dr. Emily Newbold 610-647-2219
4. Ann Cusano 610-207-9293
5. Valerie Gray 484-300-1484
6. Eric Emrick 610-323-0561
7. Stuart Best 610-827-0956
8. Rachel Ficca 484-941-4835

OBOE/BASSOON:

1. Ann Cusano 610-207-9293
2. Nancy Gaspari 610-792-3595
3. Kim Webster 610-916-4909
4. Jill Haley 610-370-1679
5. Carol Schwanger 610-367-0033 (bassoon)

CLARINET:

1. Phil Forlano 610-458-5191
2. Ann Cusano 610-207-9293
3. Marge Richie *Call the Hill School*
4. Carol Satson-Gore 610-489-3676
5. Phil Forlano 610-594-9636
6. Pat Frederick 610-873-6852
7. Stuart Best 610-827-0956
8. Bob Schwanger 610-906-2428
9. Ryan Gerberich 215-272-7549

SAXOPHONE:

1. Bridgette Horning 484-624-7753
2. Mollie Larkin 610-220-2682
3. Phil Forlano 610-594-9636
4. Eric Emrick 610-323-0561
5. Stuart Best 610-827-0956
6. Philip Covelli 610-933-1097
7. Bob Schwanger 610-906-2428
8. Ryan Gerberich 215-272-7549

GUITAR:

1. Rick Taylor 610-913-7225
2. Isaac Strader 304-677-5365

TRUMPET:

1. Rob Skoniczin 610-913-6783
2. Kevin Rosenberry 610-970-5538
3. Dr. Jann Huggens 610-469-5820
4. Brian Kuszyk 215-368-5973
5. Rob Diener 484-686-8195
6. Bob Wagner 610-469-9650
7. Amanda Ficca 484-942-8929
8. Gary Van Horn 610-469-0490

FRENCH HORN:

1. Sally Heist 610-385-3815
2. Erin Sweetsir-Mills erinsweetsir@gmail.com
3. Mary Nason 610-718-5676
4. Liz Pfaffle 812-219-3426

TROMBONE:

1. Henry Yorgey 610-310-6925
2. Gail Glass 484-302-5948
3. Brian Schultz 610-948-4541
4. Ian Shafer 610-489-3676
5. Mark Brumbach 610-689-5347

BARITONE/EUPHONIUM:

1. Henry Yorgey 610-310-6925
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4. Ian Shafer 610-489-3676
5. Mark Brumbach 610-689-5347

TUBA:

1. Brian Schultz 610-948-4541
2. Ian Shafer 610-489-3676
3. Mark Brumbach 610-689-5347

PERCUSSION:

1. Isaac Strader 304-677-5365
2. Dan Herbein 484-553-5379
3. Ben Herbein 484-553-5379
4. David Stauffer 610-906-4206

**STUDENT FUNDRAISING ACCOUNT
WITHDRAWAL FORM**

OJR HS Marching Unit ORLANDO TRIP 2022

PAYMENT #3 - \$615.00 (or balance due,
depending on room
preference at hotel)

Due on or before February 1, 2022

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

Student Name _____

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

(Check) \$ _____ + (Student Account) \$ _____ = \$ 615.00 (or your balance due)

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

Parent Signature _____ Date _____

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