



Chagrin Falls **BAND**

Monthly Newsletter 2022-2023

October 2022

A Note from Your Directors:

Welcome to “Spooky Season”! This time of year has certainly been highlighted by our 8th Grade Band - they have been working hard to put on a performance of “spooky music” for their peers on Halloween! This month, we are wrapping up our HS Marching Band season with our final performances of our Senior Show, highlighting the Class of 2023! Many wonderful musical moments to look forward to as we look ahead to preparing for our Winter Concerts!

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Miss. Reed & Mr. Sobnosky

Band Program Updates

- Our 5th graders are working on learning their first songs and have been KILLING IT!
- Our 6th and 7th graders have been working super hard to prepare music for their first concerts!
- Our 8th grade band has been preparing music to perform for their peers on Halloween - in full costume!
- Our High School Marching Band has been preparing to finish their marching season with our Senior Show, featuring songs by Pharrell, Queen, and the Rolling Stones! They will be taking their placement auditions at the end of the month, so wish them luck!



Info You Need To Know:

Did you know that there are opportunities for Chagrin Falls band students outside of school? Below are a list of ensembles that offer opportunities for band students:

Cleveland Youth Wind Symphony (CYWS): <https://www.cyws.org/>

Cleveland Orchestra Youth Orchestra (COYO):
<https://www.clevelandorchestrayouthorchestra.com/>

Contemporary Youth Orchestra (CYO): <https://cyorchestra.org/>

Lakeland Jazz Impact:
<https://www.lakelandcc.edu/web/about/jazz-impact#:~:text=The%20Lakeland%20Jazz%20Impact%20had,musicians%20from%20other%20area%20schools.>

Baldwin Wallace Brass Choir:
<https://bwcommunityarts.bw.edu/ensembles/chamber-ensembles-cas-brass-choir/>

Private lessons are also a wonderful opportunity for individual musical growth! Please email Miss. Reed if you are interested.

The Chagrin Falls Exempted Village Schools were awarded by the National Association of Music Merchants (NAMM) as a “Best Communities for Music Education” 2022! This is an amazing honor and reflects the hard work of our students, faculty, families, and community members - congratulations to all!



Writing Our Story - A Letter from the Class of 2023's Nathan Hill

Nathan is a current senior at Chagrin Falls High School. He plays the trombone and is currently serving as one of the Field Commanders of the Marching Band.

Band is the only class that has lasted with me for the past 7 years. It's strange to think that I've lugged around a trombone for that long and that I can look back on those 7 distinct years and have only positive memories. Band has been very important to me, it's given me an opportunity to learn new skills, although I'm still far from perfect at the trombone, I'm proud of the progress I have made in the past years. Additionally I have greatly expanded my knowledge and understanding of how music works through band, and it has inspired me to further study music in classes like AP Music Theory. The most important aspect of band for me, however, has been the community. Band has let me grow closer to existing friends, get to make new friends in other grades, and meet entirely new people from other schools. The experiences with friends, whether they were long bus rides to games, the excitement before a concert, or just hanging out in class, will be cherished memories for the rest of my life. To any unsure current students, or prospective ones, know that band is a commitment, it requires a lot of hard work, but the effort that you put into it will be returned with an experience that will help shape your Chagrin Schools experience into a fantastically fun journey.



Upcoming Band Events:

10/13 - Pep Rally @ CFHS

10/14 - H vs. West G

10/21 - A @ Geneva

10/24-10/28 - Concert Band & Wind Ensemble Auditions

10/31 - 8th Grade Band Halloween Performance

11/17-11/19 - D4 & D7 Honors Band @ CSU

Band Students of the Month!

Band Students of the Month are selected based upon their ability to exceed expectations and serve as a role model for their peers in the classroom. September's Band Students of the Month are:

Intermediate School (5-6): Jacqueline Clegg (Saxophone, 5)

Middle School (7-8): Adam Tropf (Trumpet, 7)

High School (9-12): Carlo Ricco (Trombone, 10)

Chagrin Falls Music Lovers

The Chagrin Falls Music Lovers funds over 65% of our school district's Performing Arts programs (exclusive of salaries). They will invest over \$50,000.00 in the performing arts during the 2022-2023 school year. Chagrin Music Lovers needs help from you! Please consider joining or renewing your membership. Music Lovers helps fund many projects, equipment, and trips for our music students. They also provide scholarship money to graduating seniors each year. If you are interested in joining Music Lovers, please see the link below!

<http://www.chagrinfallsmusiclovers.com/>

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Picture from Band Camp Jr. (6-8 students & HS helpers) June 2022