

8th Grade Parent Info for the 2017-18 OSHS Blue-Grey Pride Band

- Band Website: www.bluegreypride.com
- Band Hall Phone: 228-875-2521
- Director of Bands: Dr. Mohamad Schuman mschuman@ossdms.org
- Assistant Director of Bands: Mr. Nathan Pepper npepper@ossdms.org
- Assistant Director of Bands: Mr. Kevin Shira (email not available at this time)
- Assistant Director (Percussion): Mr. Jeffrey C. Roberts jroberts@ossdms.org
- Visit the band website and sign up for REMIND (this is very important for Parents & Students)
- Mandatory Band Camp Dates Include:
 - Guard Camp – May 30 through June 2 – (9am – 12pm & 1:30pm – 4pm)
 - Percussion Camp – June 5 through June 9 – (9am – 12pm & 1:30pm – 4:30pm)
 - Band Leadership Camp – July 13 & July 14 – (9am – 12pm & 1:30pm – 4:30pm)
 - Full Band Camp #1 (ALL MEMBERS) – July 17 through July 21 – (8am – 12pm & 1:30pm – 5pm)
 - Full Band Camp #2 (ALL MEMBERS) – July 24 through July 27 – (8am – 12pm & 1:30pm – 5pm) (*SPECIAL NOTE: Times will be altered due to our Pride Preview Performance on Thursday, July 27 and will be announced at Band Camp #1*)
 - OSHS Blue-Grey Pride Preview Performance – Time & Location TBA (*The BBQ Fundraiser plates will be distributed around this event.*)
- It is highly encouraged that parents of each participating band student seek medical authorization that their child is in good physical condition to withstand strenuous marching situations.
- It is necessary that each student have their own supply of water and sunscreen during camp and during the school year for all outdoor rehearsals.
- Students are required to wear the specific rehearsal attire to each rehearsal.
- Tennis shoes should be worn at each Marching Band Rehearsal – no flops, boots, etc.
- The OSHS Blue-Grey Pride has 2 required (graded) after-school rehearsals each week during the fall semester and 1 All-Day Contest-Prep Stadium Rehearsal. These include:
 - Tuesday Night Stadium Rehearsal – 6pm – 8:30pm (*extended to 9pm as festival and contest season approaches*) (*Special note: OSHS Wind Ensemble will continue to have rehearsals during this time at the high school band hall once rehearsal ends for Marching Band*)
 - Thursday OSHS Practice Field Rehearsal – 4:15pm – 5:45pm (*Special note: OSHS Wind Ensemble will continue to have rehearsals during this time at the high school band hall once rehearsal ends for Marching Band*)
 - Friday, September 29 – All-Day Contest-Prep Stadium Rehearsal
- Football Related Performances include:
 - Community Pep-Rally - Thursday, August 10 – Stadium
 - OSHS Jamboree – Friday, August 11 – HOME
 - OSHS vs Gautier – Friday, August 18 – AWAY
 - OSHS vs Madison Central – Friday, August 25 – HOME
 - OSHS vs Murrah – Friday, September 1 – HOME
 - OSHS vs George Co. – Friday, September 8 – AWAY
 - OSHS Homecoming Parade – Wednesday, September 20
 - OSHS vs Hancock – Friday, September 22 – HOMECOMING

- OSHS vs D'Iberville – Friday, September 29 – AWAY
 - OSHS vs Biloxi – Friday, October 6 – HOME
 - OSHS vs Pascagoula – Friday, October 13 – AWAY
 - OSHS vs St. Martin – Friday, October 20 – HOME & SENIOR NIGHT
 - OSHS vs Gulfport – Friday, October 27 – AWAY
 - OSHS vs Harrison Central – Friday, November 3 – AWAY
 - OSHS play-off games TBA
- Festival/Contest Performances include:
- Pine Belt Invitation @ JCJC – Saturday, September 30
 - Groovin in the Grove @ Oak Grove High School – Saturday, October 7
 - MHSAA State Marching Festival – Milner Stadium in Gulfport – Saturday, October 14
 - Deep South Marching Festival – Theodore, AL – Saturday, October 28 (*this is an ACT Date*)
- Mississippi Lions All-State Band Audition Dates – November TBA
- OSHS Wind Ensemble Parent Concert – Tuesday, November 28 – 7:45pm – OSHS Band Hall
- OSHS Bands – Winter Concert 7pm – (December 4) - Auditorium
- Mississippi Bandmasters Association State Convention – Wednesday, December 6 through Saturday, December 9 – Natchez, MS
- OSHS Wind Ensemble Performance at the Mississippi Bandmasters Association State Convention – Thursday, December 7 – Natchez, MS – Time & Location TBA
- GCBDA Clinic Audition and Honor Band Clinic – January 2018, dates TBA
- OSHS Wind Ensemble Performance at William Carey University – Hattiesburg, MS – Friday, March 2, 2018 – 7pm?
- MHSAA State Concert Band Festival – April 9 – 12 – Oak Grove High School (time & date TBA) (Wind Ensemble & Symphonic Band Festival Assessment)
- Sounds of the South Concert Band Festival – April (time and date TBA) (Concert Band Festival Assessment)
- OSHS Spring Concert - Monday, April 16, 2018
- Fundraisers are held throughout the year. Students are asked to do their fair share by selling a reasonable amount of items or you may simply write a check to cover the profit margin needed from each fundraiser.

2017 Blue Grey Pride Band Fee Info

Regular Band Student Fee Amount = \$300 – In person payments should be made payable by Check or Money Order ONLY! – Checks payable to OSHS BAND - Online payments are also available [here](#)

➤ **1st Payment of \$100 due on or before Friday, April 28**

➤ **2nd Payment of \$100 due on or before Tuesday, May 23, 2017.**

(Student apparel sizes will also be due at this time. Apparel form with instructions will be available on the Blue-Grey Pride website Friday, May 5th, 2017.)

➤ **3rd Payment of \$100 due on or before Thursday, June 8, 2017. (May pay in person at OSHS Band Hall 9am – 12pm and 1pm – 5pm)**

(Special note: You may elect to pay-in-full on or before April 28, 2017. Band fees are NOT refundable as items and drill spots for halftime show are purchased based on paying members. Also, please remember that there is a convenience charge for all online payments)

Band Fees cover the following:

- 2 Practice Dry Fit Shirts with logo
- 2 Practice Dry Fit Shorts with logo
- 2 Long Sleeve Dry Fit Performance Shirts with logo on upper left sleeve
- 1 Polo Performance Shirt with logo
- 1 Performance Cap with logo
- 1 Drawstring Backpack with logo
- Up to 2 pair of long performance gloves
- 1 Show T-shirt
- 1 Memory Book
- Drill for Halftime Show
- Music
- Dry Cleaning
- Special Fees & Regular Yearly Transportation
- Band Banquet
- Miscellaneous fees such as outside Instruction, adjudication, etc.