

O'Fallon District 90 Bands Jr. High Band Newsletter

Week 12 Newsletter
November 6th-9th, 2017

Forms and Flyers

If you are ever concerned that you lost a piece of paper, or not sure if one got home, we try and upload everything on the [Forms Tab of the website](#)

Supplies/Repairs



Music & Arts is our primary partner for repairs and supplies. If you order anything, designate "deliver to school" and it will be brought straight to the band room. www.musicarts.com

Phone: (314) 739-4265

Poinsettia Orders Due Wednesday, 11/8

The Poinsettia Packets are due on Wednesday during class. Students should bring their packets with all monies and orders. Please double check that everything adds up beforehand. This is our biggest fundraiser of the year and helps sustain and grow the band program. In order to reach our goals we ask that each student try to sell 5 items. The poinsettias are from Heimos Greenhouses in Milstadt and are high quality. They make great gifts and office decorations.

Veteran's Day Assemblies

On Thursday, November 9th, the 7th and 8th grade bands at Fulton and Carriel will perform at the Veteran's Day Assemblies starting at 8am. Students need to arrange to be dropped off at 7:15am in order to get set up, warmed up, and ready for the assemblies at 8am. Students should wear concert attire (Band Polo, Black Pants, Dress Shoes) and bring a change of clothes for the rest of the day.

ILMEA Festival Information

[ILMEA Concert Festival Permission Slip 2017](#)

[ILMEA Jazz Festival Permission Slip 2017](#)

[2017 ILMEA D6 Jazz Festival Festival Flyer](#)

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Private Lessons

Private Lessons are the best thing you can do for your child's Music Education. We have a lot of great teachers and mentors who are eager to work with Jr. High Students. Email me at mdonahue@of90.net and I can help put you in touch with a great teacher.

Calendar Information

For the most up to date calendar information, check out the [website calendar](#).

Questions or Concerns?

If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to email me at mdonahue@of90.net

Upgrade Your Sound Event

Upgraded instruments make a great Christmas Gift for your student! Music & Arts is hosting a Step-Up instrument event at Carriel on November 13th. They will have a huge selection of upgraded instruments I, and you can book an individual appointment for personal service. If you are currently renting from Music & Arts, they can apply some current credit, but this event often has deeper either/or discounts to maximize your value. For more information or specific upgrade questions, Email our Music & Arts Rep, Michael Bryant at:

william.bryant@musicarts.com



The advertisement features a central diamond-shaped logo with the text "SPONSORED BY MUSIC & ARTS" around the top edge and "UPGRADE YOUR SOUND" in the center. To the right of the logo, the text "HORNS OF PLENTY" is written in a bold, teal font. Below the logo and text are three images: a close-up of brass instruments, a row of trumpets, and a close-up of a trumpet's valves. At the bottom, a dark teal banner contains the text "LARGEST INSTRUMENT EVENT IN ILLINOIS" in white, all-caps font.

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Note-Symphonic Winds Clinic on Nov 17th and Concert on November 20th

The Symphonic Winds has the opportunity to work with the All-District Guest conductor in a rehearsal on Friday, November 17th. Chip DeStefano is the band director at McCracken Middle School in Skokie, IL and is a nationally recognized band director and clinician. His band has been named the University of Illinois Superstate Honor Band 7 times, more than any other band. Mr. DeStefano will be working with us at a rehearsal from 5-7pm at Carriel on November 17th. Parents are welcome to attend. We appreciate your flexibility in this extra rehearsal, Mr. DeStefano is staying in town for the ILMEA Festival and this is a great opportunity to get to work with him! We will serve pizza for the band at the end of the rehearsal.

Please note, we have changed the Symphonic Winds Fall Concert from Tuesday, November 14th to Monday, November 20th. This concert is a joint concert with the Symphonic Winds and OTHS Wind Ensemble, 6:30pm at Carriel. We changed the concert due to a very tight schedule at OTHS.

This Week in Band

- Monday, November 6th, 6-8pm
 - Symphonic Winds Rehearsal
- Wednesday, November 8th
 - Poinsettia Packets Due
- Thursday, November 9th
 - Veteran's Day Assembly, Call time is 7:15am
 - Symphonic Winds Rehearsal-Cancelled
- Saturday, November 12th
 - ILMEA Jazz Festival

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Next Week

- Monday, November 13th, 5-8pm
 - Music & Arts Upgrade Your Sound at Carriel
- Thursday, November 16th, 6-8pm
 - Symphonic Winds Rehearsal
- Friday, November 17th, 5-7pm
 - Symphonic Winds Clinic with Mr. DeStefano
- Saturday, November 18th
 - ILMEA Concert Festival

O'Fallon District 90 Bands 4th Annual Poinsettia Sale



Red - \$ 15



White - \$ 15



Pink - \$ 15



Glitter-Sparkle
Blingsettia \$ 15



Snow Blingsettia \$ 15



Jingle Bell - \$ 15



Christmas Cactus \$15

All plants are locally grown and have 5 or more blooms. Each plant is 6.5" and will come with a pot cover. Proceeds from this sale directly benefit the District 90 Band Program.

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Repair Information

If an instrument breaks and you need an instrument repair, the best way to accomplish it in a timely manner is:

- [Fill out this form](#)
- Have your student take out their reeds, mouthpiece, supplies, etc. from their instrument case for use with their loaner instrument.
- Michael, our M&A rep will pick up the repair (usually on Friday mornings before school).
- Repair should be completed within about a week.
- Feel free to contact our rep, Michael Bryant with questions at:
 - William Bryant <William.Bryant@musicarts.com>