8TH ANNUAL VICTOR J. ANDREW HIGH SCHOOL 2023 MARCHING BAND INVITATIONAL SEPTEMBER 23, 2023

VICTOR J. ANDREW MARCHING BAND INVITATIONAL

CONGRATULATIONS 2022 GRAND CHAMPION PLAINFIELD NORTH HIGH SCHOOL!



Welcome to the VJA Marching Band Invitational participants, families and friends-

On behalf of Consolidated High School District 230, I would like to welcome you to this annual event, which celebrates the hard work and dedication of students, Band Directors and Music Staff. As Bono of U2 once said, "Music can change the world because it can change people." Music moves us, influences us and serves as the backdrop for the landmark moments in our lives. And those inspirations can move people to positive change. This event captures how these students can inspire others through their music and be agents of positive change in our communities.

At the heart of this event is our students: their dedication to their craft that they practice in and out of the classroom is nothing short of amazing. What is not overlooked is the steadfast support that you, the parents and families, provide. This showcase is a testament of your support. Other groups who made this event possible are the VJA Music Parents' Association, Building Grounds and Maintenance Staff and the VJA Administrative Team. Without your support, this would not be the successful event it is each year.

To all, good luck to the schools participating and thank you for your part in creating today's musical celebration.

Sincerely, Dr. Robert J. Nolting Superintendent



VICTOR J. ANDREW HIGH SCHOOL

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September 2023

Welcome to the Victor J. Andrew High School Marching Bands Invitational.

September 23, 2023, the VJA Marching Thunderbolts have the privilege of hosting the 8th annual VJA Marching Invitational. This exceptional program invites music programs throughout the region to showcase their talents and skills.

The *Andrew Marching Band Invitational* provides a unique event that unites high schools in both camaraderie and competition. Students from all backgrounds have the opportunity to build confidence and gain valuable experience from demonstrating their personal abilities, working collectively as a team, and delivering award-winning performances.

The *Andrew Marching Band Invitational* is excited to be hosting 22 Marching Bands from across the region.

We welcome all attendees to our campus and hope that you will enjoy the performances of these very talented students.

Thank you for your support and involvement in the *Andrew Marching Band Invitational*.

Sincerely,

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Dr. Abir Othman Principal



September 23, 2023 Mark Iwinski, Director of Bands

Attendees of the 2023 VJA MBI,

I'm so glad you have decided to spend part of your Saturday with us here at VJA for our 8th annual invitational. This year we host 22 bands from across the tri-state area and we are honored that the performing ensembles have chosen our contest to attend this weekend.

Over a short period of time, this event has grown to one of the most well respected in the state of Illinois. It has grown from 12 bands in its first year to regularly hosting over 20 ensembles. We also are proud of our outstanding evaluation panel that brings quality and pointed feedback to help bands grow not only in the current season but in their future.

Band directors have the opportunity to meet one on one with the evaluators after their contest to have a conversation about that growth. What a benefit for all student performers!

Today, over 2,000 outstanding student performers will take the field and give it their all. The idea that marching band is bigger than ones self is exemplar on the field here today. You will see students performing very difficult music and movements all while trying their best for themselves and their fellow performers.

Marching band is the activity where you can cheer loudly for sections of shows that you like or that make you smile. I encourage you to give everything you have as an audience member back to these outstanding performers here today! Audience appreciation fuels their performance and makes it a magical experience for them.

Once again, thank you for spending time here with us and we hope to see you again next year.

Sincerely yours,

Mark D. Iwinski

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12:45 PM	NATIONAL ANTHEM	
	Class 1A	
1:00 PM	Herscher High School	It Happened on Holiday Lane
1:15 PM	William Howard Taft High School	Down the Rabbit Hole
1:30 PM	Danville High School	The Outcasts of Nevermore
1:45 PM	Harry D. Jacobs High School	The Journey of a Thousand Miles Begins with a Single Note
2:00 PM	Providence Catholic High School	Noise
2:15 PM	BREAK	
	Class 2A	
2:30 PM	Lemont High School	Loves Me, Loves Me Not
2:45 PM	McHenry Community High School	Off the Rails
3:00 PM	Amos Alonzo Stagg High School	A Place Where We Belong!
3:15 PM	William Fremd High School	Heroes Vs. Villains
3:30 PM	Wheaton North High School	Paint It Black
3:45 PM	Glenbrook South High School	Data Breach
4:00 PM	BREAK	
4:15 PM	Naperville Central High School	Mood Swings
4:30 PM	Alan B. Shepard High School	Happily Ever After
4:45 PM	Downers Grove South High School	Slither and Stone
5:00 PM	Warren Township High School	Ripples on the Water
5:00 PM	1A/2A DM's Report to North Track	
5:15 PM	1A/2A AWARDS	
	Dinner Break	
	1A/2A Critique	
	Class 3A	
7:15 PM	Lake Central High School	Worlds Apart
7:30 PM	Yorkville High School	With Love
7:45 PM	South Elgin High School	Villainous
8:00 PM	Oak Creek High School	A Spoonful of Sugar
8:15 PM	Marian Catholic High School	On This Shining Night
8:30 PM	Lockport Township High School	The Unknown
8:45 PM	Plainfield North High School	Valkyrie
	Exhibition	
9:00 PM	Victor J. Andrew High School	Far Side
9·15 PM	Awards	

9:15 PM Awards

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PERCUSSION STANDSTILL CLINIC SCHEDULE

BAND	FIELD SHOW PERFORM	CLINIC (15 MINS)			
Herscher HS	1:00 PM	1:30 PM			
William Howard Taft HS	1:15 PM	1:45 PM			
McHenry Community HS	1:30 PM	2:00 PM			
Danville HS	1:45 PM	2:15 PM			
Harry D. Jacobs HS	2:00 PM	2:30 PM			
Providence Catholic HS	2:15 PM	2:45 PM			
Break (15min)					
Lemont HS	2:45 PM	3:15 PM			
Amos Alonzo Stagg HS	3:00 PM	3:30 PM			
Fremd HS	3:15 PM	3:45 PM			
Wheaton North HS	3:30 PM	4:00 PM			
Glenbrook South HS	3:45 PM	4:15 PM			
Break (15min)					
Naperville Central HS	4:15 PM	4:45 PM			
Alan B. Shepard HS	4:30 PM	5:00 PM			
Downers Grove South HS	4:45 PM	5:15 PM			
Warren Township HS	5:00 PM	5:30 PM			
Break (1 hour)					
Victor J. Andrew HS	9:00 PM	6:45 PM			
Yorkville HS	7:15 PM	7:45 PM			
South Elgin HS	7:30 PM	8:00 PM			
Oak Creek HS (WI)	7:45 PM	8:15 PM			
Marian Catholic HS	8:00 PM	8:30 PM			
Lake Central HS (IN)	8:15 PM	8:45 PM			
Lockport Township HS	8:30 PM	9:00 PM			
Plainfield North HS	8:45 PM	9:30 PM			

CRITIQUE SCHEDULE (After Class Award Ceremonies)

Visual/Auxillary	Music/Percussion	Time			
Providence Catholic HS	Herscher HS	6:00 - 6:05 PM			
Herscher HS	Providence Catholic HS	6:05 - 6:10 PM			
William Howard Taft HS	Danville HS	6:10 - 6:15 PM			
Danville HS	William Howard Taft HS	6:15 - 6:20 PM			
Warren Township HS	McHenry Comm. HS	6:20 - 6:25 PM			
McHenry Comm. HS	Warren Township HS	6:25 - 6:30 PM			
Amos Alonzo Stagg HS	Naperville Central HS	6:30 - 6:35 PM			
Naperville Central HS	Amos Alonzo Stagg HS	6:35 - 6:45 PM			
BREAK					
Lake Central HS	Oak Creek HS	9:45 - 9:50 PM			
Oak Creek HS	Lake Central HS	9:50 - 9: PM			
Lockport Township HS	Yorkville HS	9:55 - 10:00 PM			
Yorkville HS	Lockport Towhship HS	10:00 - 10:05 PM			
Plainfield North HS	Victor J. Andrew HS	10:05 - 10:10 PM			
Victor J. Andrew HS	Plainfield North HS	10:10 - 10:15 PM			

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JUDGE	CAPTION
RUSSELL SHARTZER	FIELD MUSIC
SEAN MCELROY	ENSEMBLE MUSIC
JOSH ELLIS	EFFECT MUSIC
JOHN MORSE	EFFECT MUSIC
CARRIE GENTRY	FIELD VISUAL
BOB MEDWORTH	ENSEMBLE VISUAL
LEE GIBSON	EFFECT VISUAL
RUTHANN MEDWORTH	GUARD
JEFF HUFFMAN	PERCUSSION
MATT STRATTON	OVERALL EFFECT (NO SCORE)
TYLER HOLSTROM	TIMING
KRISTI BAKER	TABULATOR
JON NOWORYTA	DM COMMENTARY
DANNY GUTIERREZ (BLUE DEVILS)	PERCUSSION CLINICIAN (FREE CLINIC)
CHRIS BETZ	ANNOUNCER

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CLASS IA I:OO PM Herscher High School

IT HAPPENED ON HOLIDAY LANE

Band Name: Marching Tigers

City, State: Herscher, IL

Program Selections: This is Halloween - Danny Elfman; Paint it Black - Mick Jagger; Spooky Scary Skeletons - Andrew Gold

Drum Major: Sophia Brozis

Director: Matt Cornwall

The Herscher Marching Tigers are a voluntary group that rehearses twice a week. In addition to performing at football games and parades, the group will also appear at competitions at Victor J Andrew, Normal, ISU, and Bands of America St. Louis.

I:15 PM

William Howard Taft High School

DOWN THE RABBIT HOLE

Band Name: Taft Marching Eagles

City, State: Chicago, IL

Program Selections: All original music in 4 movements - The White Rabbit, Down the Rabbit Hole, The Mad Tea Party, The Red Queen

Drum Major: Eryn Groth

Directors: Kevin Harriman and Dan Salyers

Additional Staff: Finn Birach - percussion

I:30 PM

Danville High School

THE OUTCASTS OF NEVERMORE

Band Name: Band of Viking

City, State: Danville, IL

Program Selections: : Serenada Schizophrana Mvt 1: Planos by Danny Elfman; Goo Goo Muck by The Cramps; Ice Dance from Edward Scissorhands by Danny Elfman; Main Titles from Wednesday by Danny Elfman

Drum Major: Alex Cosat

Director: Ryan Krapf

Additional Staff: Jillian Williford-Assistant Marching Band Director, Adam Owens-Marching Band Technician, Kahlar Drews-Front Ensemble Director, Andrew Cravens-Drumline Instructor and Dawn Brock-Colorguard Instructor

The Band of Vikings is an all-volunteer, extra-curricular music group of students that represents Danville High School. This volunteer group draws the most dedicated and motivated students, resulting in a marching band that strives to perform at a high level of quality that demonstrates musical integrity coupled with high precision visual artistry. This year the Band of Vikings will travel to Monticello High School, Victor J Andrew High School, Dunlap High School and Effingham High School for contests.





I:45 PM

Harry D. Jacobs High School

THE JOURNEY OF A THOUSAND MILES BEGINS WITH A SINGLE NOTE

Band Name: Golden Eagle Marching Band

City, State: Algonquin, IL

Program Selections: "Etudes # 9 and #3" by Philip Glass; "The Other Side" by Woodkid; "Hero" by Charles Mekealian

Drum Majors: Adam Montgomery, Allison Taylor

Director: Anthony Gnutek

Additional Staff: Christopher Caldwell - Drillwriter, Pamela Snoeck - Visual Coordinator & Color Guard, Dan Chamberlain - Percussion Coordinator, Matt Miller - Visual & Winds, Lindsey Klotz - Color Guard, Abrianna Varsolona - Color Guard, Collin Wittlich - Percussion, Brendan Schoneberg - Percussion, Tony Defelippo -Percussion

The Golden Eagle Marching Band is an all-voluntary, competitive group that is made up of the most dedicated students from throughout Jacobs High School and the entire music department.

2:00 PM

Providence Catholic High School

NOISE

Band Name: Marching Celtics

City, State: New Lenox, IL

Program Selections: Gathering Storm - Luke McMillan; Sound of Silence - Simon & Garfunkel; Thunderstruck - AC/DC

Drum Major: Anna Gleason

Director: Kyle Baltzer

Additional Staff: John Kelly - Visual/Brass, Anthony Bartucci - Woodwind, Matt Kochniarczyk - Percussion, Lawrence Ball - Guard, Dakota Smtih - Guard, Anna Bruno - Guard

The Providence Catholic Marching Celtics celebrated a successful 2022 campaign as they placed in the Top 3 in their respective class at all area-wide competitions. The ensemble performs at all home football games, community events, select parades, and more. The Providence Catholic Band Program is made up of several performing ensembles including concert band, jazz band, pep band, percussion ensemble, pit orchestra, and chamber ensembles. The Providence Catholic Band Program would like to thank the band and guard parents for their unconditional support as well as the faculty, staff, and administration at Providence Catholic High School.







We know what you're doing after the standing ovation.





CLASS 2A

2:30 PM Lemont High School

LOVES ME, LOVES ME NOT

Band Name: Marching Band

City, State: Lemont, IL

Program Selections: Romeo and Juliet by Tchaikovsky, Flower Duet by Delibes, Tainted Love by Cobb

Drum Majors: Destina Sarussi, Luke Rupert

Directors: Dave Nommensen, Matt Doherty

Additional Staff: Calvin Chao - percussion staff and sound design, Ari Corbin - color guard staff, Jordan Fandrey - visual staff, Vanessa Jobbe - color guard staff, Kara Kirkus - wind staff, Katelyn Luckett - wind staff, Ryan Tripp - percussion staff, Jeremy Svoboda - wind staff, Annie Ternes - wind staff

The Golden Eagle Marching Band is an all-voluntary, competitive group that is made up of the most dedicated students from throughout Jacobs High School and the entire music department. The Lemont High School Marching Band is comprised of students from all high school levels. Previously the marching band has captured eight class 3A state championships and numerous local contest awards. The band would like to thank the Lemont High School School Board, Administration, Staff, and Students for their unwavering support of the entire band program. The band would also like to thank the Lemont community for their continued wonderful financial support of the music program. This upcoming Thanksgiving, the marching band has been chosen to participate in Disney's Thanksgiving Parade of Bands at the Magic Kingdom. Finally, the band would like to thank all of the parents for helping to make the Lemont Band Program what it is today!

2:45 PM

McHenry Community High School

OFF THE RAILS

Band Name: Marching Warriors City, State: McHenry, IL Program Selections: Off the Rails - John Fannin Drum Majors: Audrey Dunwoody, Faith Negele Director: Ryan Cabildo Additional Staff: Tracy Tobin - Assistant Director; Maddie Link - Color Guard, Jacob Tolan - Percussion

3:00 PM

Amos Alonzo Stagg High School

A PLACE WHERE WE BELONG!

Band Name: Marching Chargers

City, State: Palos Hills, IL

Program Selections: It's a Beautiful Day - Michael Buble; I'm a Believer - Neil Diamond

Drum Majors: Grant Gaskill, Mia Lewandowski, Samantha Padgurskis

Directors: Jim Colombo, Bob Mecozzi

Additional Staff: Music and Visual Staff - Ryan Bigeck, Matt Bufis, Eric Johnson, MacKenzie Kazin, Christian Ponte, Dan Romano; Percussion Staff - Kabir Dalawari, Rob Diaz, Taylor Munoz; Guard Director -Christina Schmidt; Guard Staff - Samantha Houlihan Julia Popper

On behalf of the Stagg Marching Chargers, thank you to the Andrew Music Department and Music Boosters for hosting another wonderful show! Best of luck to all of the competing bands on their seasons!



3:15 PM

William Fremd High School

HEROES VS. VILLAINS

Band Name: Viking Marching Band

City, State: Palatine, IL

Program Selections: Mvt. 1 - "The Hero Within"; Mvt. 2 - "Conflict Arises"; Mvt. 3 - "Internal Struggle"; Mvt. 4 - "The Hero Prevails"

Drum Majors: Andrew Grela, Ellie Song, Christian Taylor

Directors: Matthew Moore and J.T. Teichert

Additional Staff: Joe Tang and Erin Kirby - Visual; Melissa Schlesinger and Abbie Seidman - Guard; Colin Rambert - Drumline; Ethan Patterson - Front Ensemble

The Fremd High School Band program consists of 180 students enrolled in four curricular bands. The Viking Marching Band is an extra-curricular ensemble made up of students from all four curricular bands, guard students, and rehearses two to three times a week. This fall the VMB will also perform at the AA Stagg High School competition and the University of Illinois "Illinois Marching Band Championships". Over the past twenty years the Fremd Band program has performed in eight college bowl game half-time shows, Disneyland, Disney World, New York City, Hawaii, ILMEA All-State, U of I SuperState, and numerous parades. The Fremd High School Music Department is proud to have been recognized as a "Grammy Signature School" for excellence in music education. The VMB is thrilled to return to Victor J. Andrew High School and would like to thank the band staff, parent volunteers, and festival adjudicators for your dedication in presenting tonight's show.



3:30 PM Wheaton North High School

PAINT IT BLACK

Band Name: Falcon Marching Band

City, State: Wheaton, IL

Program Selections: Somewhere over the Rainbow, Paint it Black

Drum Majors: Christina Morris, Ethan Spaid, Max Martinez

Director: Kent Krause

Additional Staff: Matt Ellman, Kurt Makaryk, Jeff Novak, Michael Rocha, Mike Greco, James Gibson, Noel Streacker, Anders Hagen, Sydney Truran, Erin O'Connor

The Wheaton North Falcon Marching Band's 2023 competitive schedule includes the Chicagoland Marching Band Festival, The VJ Andrew Marching Invitational, the Romeoville Spartan Classic, The Naperville Marching Classic, The Lincoln-Way marching Invitational, and the Illinois State Marching Invitational. The Falcon Marching Band would like to thank the VJ Andrew community and the legendary Mark Iwinski for their kind hospitality today.

3:45 PM

Glenbrook South High School

DATA BREACH

Band Name: Marching Titans

City, State: Glenview, IL

Program Selections: Overture from Tron: Legacy, Uninvited, Finish the Fight

Drum Majors: Fiona Doherty, Evan McClung, Keira Read

Directors: Brian Boron; Nick Krejci, Asst.

Additional Staff: Bryan Hughey, Spencer Peterson, Leah Maskin, Will Kirby, Andrew Magosky, Kaitlin Gaynor, Karen Graves

The band has performed across the country, most recently in New York City. This year, they will be performing in Disney World.

4:15 PM

Naperville Central High School

MOOD SWINGS

Band Name: Marching Redhawks

City, State: Naperville, IL

Program Selections: "Intro" - Drew Shanefield; "The Canyon" - Philip Glass; "Hunting Wabbits" - Gordon Goodwin; "Mood" - 24KGoldn; "Children's Dance from Merry Mount Suite" - Howard Hanson

Drum Majors: Penny Geno, Ethan Kurz, Athena Chen, Bianca Cima

Director: Brandon Estes

Additional Staff: Megan Duenser (Visual), Shu Cui (Visual), Molly Duenser (Visual & Winds), Marina Adamany (Winds), Daniel McGarel (Winds), Hannah Estoll (Winds), Don Kaihatsu (Winds), Noel Streacker (Percussion), Jalen Bell (Percussion), Calvin Chao (Percussion), Debbie Wiles Isoda (Colorguard), Michael Bailey (Colorguard), Danielle Beaton (Colorguard), Willow Dekruiff (Colorguard), Melissa Castor (Colorguard), Daniel Wiles (Show and Drill Design), Dr. Andrew Shanefield (Music Arranger), Bret Kuhn (Percussion Arranger)

Naperville Central HS performs regularly in the Chicagoland area and are proud to return to the Victor J. Andrew Marching Band Invitational. The NCHS Band program comprises 3 concert ensembles, marching band, jazz bands, chamber ensembles, steel pan ensembles as well as the "Drumshow" percussion ensemble showcase. The Marching Redhawks will wrap up their 2023 competitive season at the Illinois State University Marching Band Championships where they were a past finalist band in 2021! Naperville Central would like to thank the Victor J. Andrew HS Band, its Booster organization and director Mark Iwinski for their generous hospitality and for providing a quality performance experience today!





4:30 PM

Alan B. Shepard High School

HAPPILY EVER AFTER

Band Name: Marching Astros

City, State: Palos Heights, IL

Program Selections: When You Wish Upon A Star, Robin Hood-Prince of Theives, Speechless from Aladdin, You're Welcome from Moana

Drum Majors: Maggie Klingner, June Lyons

Director: Christopher Pitlik

Additional Staff: Kenneth George, Tom Gilman, Kirk Hickman, Vanessa Jobbe-Jimenez, Karina Jimenez The Marching Astros would like to thank Andrew Band and band parents for hosting a great event for band to perform and learn.

4:45 PM

Downers Grove South High School

SLITHER AND STONE

Band Name: Marching Mustangs
City, State: Downers Grove, IL
Program Selections: Original works
Drum Majors: Briana Zeigler, Becca Snouffer
Director: Aaron Kennedy
Additional Staff: Robbi Hicks, Joe Perillo, Abby Fasullo, Bobby Bonslater, and Dylan Heintz

5:00 PM

Warren Township High School

RIPPLES ON THE WATER

Band Name: Marching Blue Devils

City, State: Gurbnee, IL

Program Selections: La Moldau - Smetana, Shenendoah - Traditional, La Mer - Debussy, Aquarium from Carnival of the Animals - Saint-Saens, Gymnopedie No. 1 - Satie

Drum Majors: Lauren D'Souza, Chloe Dostal

Director: Lawrence Rogers

Additional Staff: Dave Tribley, Scott Seal, Andy Stawick, Bret Sher, Katie Cothran, Greg Zalapi, Jeanette Johnson, Kiirsti Linna, Savannah Plank

Last year, the Warren Township Marching Blue Devils placed third in class 6A at the University of Illinois Marching Band Championships and won the visual caption award as well. The Marching Blue Devils will be continuing their season this year at Naperville Central, Lincoln-way, and Illinois State Marching Band Championships in Normal, IL.





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Class 3A

7:15 PM Lake Central High School

WORLDS APART

Band Name: Tribe of Pride

City, State: St. John, IN

Program Selections: Journey's "Separate Ways (Worlds Apart)." Antonin Dvorak's "Symphony No. 9, New World Symphony," and Aaron Guidry's "Worlds Apart"

Drum Majors: Marissa Pastore, Adam Holechko, and Taylor Morrison

Director: Elliot Smith

Additional Staff: Candace Boone, Ryan O'Dell, Ryan Lauciello, Andrea Kowalewicz, Devin McCahey, Liset Garcia, Kayla Borowski, Bennett Garvey, Jacob Stutler, Joseph Kowalski, Ben Cash, Kayla Hesterman, Danny Walsh, Andy Toth, Dan Morrison, and Aaron Guidry

7:30 PM

Yorkville High School

WITH LOVE

Band Name: Marching Foxes

Program Selections: All You Need is Love, Tango De Roxeanne, Jar of Hearts, Love Story

Drum Majors: Mason Madej, Kelsey McGregor, Avery Stillmunkes

Directors: Victor Anderson & Bobby Vriezen

Additional Staff: Agata Wilusz, Brianna Walsh, Matt Rice, Angelo Makropoulos, Kellie Procopos

In addition to the 160- member Marching Foxes, Yorkville High School Music serves nearly 600 students each day in five choirs, four bands, three orchestras, and multiple general music courses. Yorkville Music prides itself on inclusivity, diversity and cohesiveness. The Yorkville Tri-M Music Honors Society of over 100 members celebrates all students of music and brings them together through service and music. For the past seven years, Yorkville has been distinguished as "a best community for music education".

7:45 PM

South Elgin High School

VILLAINOUS

Band Name: Marching Storm City, State: South Elgin, IL Program Selections: Movement 1, 2, & 3 Drum Majors: Emma Greenberg, Brandon Biddle, Amy Skrabacz Director: Griffin Lober Additional Staff: Christie Zimmerman, Robert Botwinski, Meriyanna Santiago



8:00 PM

Oak Creek High School

A SPOONFUL OF SUGAR

Band Name: Marching Knights

City, State: Oak Creek, WI

Program Selections: Music from Mary Poppins; Musical Arrangers: Donald Hill, Key Poulan, Adam Wiencken, Shawn Glyde, Dan Bryan

Drum Majors: Melanie May, Allison Neuhart, Christie Paradowski, Evan Vangsoulatda

Directors: Amy Fuchs, Guy Gregg

Additional Staff: Jeff LeMay, Michael Neumeyer, Zach Teschendorf, Eddie Haeger, Anthony Fenner, Matt Lisiecki, Luke Daniels, Alec Buhler, Jordan Sischo, Christina Zweig, Bethany Olson, Glenna Fulitano, Matthew Bragstad; Drill Designer: Chad Quamme

The members of the Oak Creek High School Band enjoy a comprehensive music education program that provides a wide variety of musical experiences. Members enjoy opportunities in Marching Band, Pep Band, Jazz Combo, Jazz Ensemble, Concert Band, Solo/Ensemble, Pit Orchestra, and Music Theory. The band travels throughout each year to perform in marching contests, jazz festivals, and clinics across Wisconsin and the United States. The members of the Oak Creek High School Band take great pride in their vast musical accomplishments and widespread reputation for maintaining the highest standards of integrity and character. The Staff and Students wish to give a very special thanks to the wonderful parents, alumni, and friends who support the musical endeavors of the Oak Creek High School Band!

8:15 PM

Marian Catholic High School

ON THIS SHINING NIGHT

Band Name: Marching Band

City, State: Chicago Heights, IL

Program Selections: Deep Field by Eric Whitacre, New Century Dawn by David Gillingham, Sure on this Shining Night by Samuel Barber, Lux Perpetua by Frank Ticheli

Drum Majors: Jewel Lopez, Selene Castaneda

Director: Steven Pyter

Additional Staff: Assistant Director: Jeremy Turner; Percussion Director: William Lawton; Color Guard Director: Kate McIlvain

The Marian Catholic Band has a reputation as one of the finest concert and marching band programs in the United States. The band is a 22-time Bands of America National Class Champion, and a record 7-time Grand National Champion. Marian Catholic is undefeated in their class at the State of Illinois Marching Band Championships since 1980.

8:30 PM

Lockport Township High School

THE UNKNOWN

Band Name: Marching Band City, State: Lockport, IL Program Selections: Drum Majors: William Wagner, Joseph Redmond, Alexus Miller Director: Brian Covey



The ensemble members and staff would like to thank the parents, community, and administration for their endless support. Without them, none of our musical endeavors would be possible.

8:45 PM

Plainfield North High School

VALKYRIE

Band Name: Marching Tigers

City, State: Plainfield, IL

Program Selections: Symphony No. 9 "From the New World" by Antonin Dvorak, A Thousand Years by Christina Perri, and Valkyrie by Varien.

Drum Majors: Timothy Przybylski, Gabriella Pedraza, Chloe Vasilakis

Director: Tim Hatcher

Additional Staff: Assistant Director: Jason La Vallee; Winds: Omar Elmusa, Kaela Bonow, Eric Caldwell, Kade Frieders; Percussion: Justin Leggero, Tony Cable, Jalen Bell; Colorguard: Rebecca Aguilar, Uriel Herrera; Electronics: Issy Malic; Student Teacher: Chris Vosburgh

The Plainfield North Marching Tigers have several caption awards and Grand Champion honors in local competitions, they have been State of Illinois Marching Championship Finalists, and they are regular participants in Bands of America Regional and Super Regional Championships. Among the membership of the Marching Tigers are All-State musicians, 5.0 students, National Honor Society members, AP Scholars, National Merit Finalists, and numerous student athletes. The Plainfield North Bands are dedicated to building leadership and character through performance. The Marching Tigers wish to thank the Plainfield North administration and parents for making performances like this possible.

Exhibition

9:00 PM Victor J. Andrew High School

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Band Name: Marching Thunderbolts City, State: Tinley Park, IL

Program Selections: Deep Field by Eric Whitacre, New Century Dawn by David Gillingham, Sure on this Shining Night by Samuel Barber, LuxMoonlight Sonata - Ludwig Von Beethoven, Old Moon in the New Moon's Arms - Michael Kamen

Drum Majors: Abigail Cunico, Sophia Fontana, Madeline Kirchner

Director: Mark Iwinski

Additional Staff: Alan Barone, Amy Kelly, Mia Folliard, Ava Gordon, Cara Hickey, Cara Daclan, Alex Pedersen, Lulu Juma, and Joe Siano - Percussion -- John Kelly and Hayley Thielmann - Visual -- Tyler Holstrom, Anthony Bartucci, Issac Rutledge, Kaitlyn Bauman, and Nolan Lewis - Winds -- Kassie Peirson, Lauren Geary, and Bridget Brogan - Colorguard

The VJA Band program has a long history of excellence and success. For the past decade, the Marching Thunderbolts have placed in the top three in class at each Chicago area competition. The band holds the record for third most finals appearances at the Illinois State Marching Band Championships and is a six time class 5a state champion. The indoor percussion ensemble has been a WGI finalist consistently over 15 years. The wind symphony has had performances at Illinois Superstate Concert Band Festival, National Concert Band Festival, and is a three time winner of the Midwest Music Festival in Lemont. We thank all performing ensembles for attending and we thank all parents and volunteers who helped make today's event possible!









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WE HOPE THAT YOU ALWAYS... FLY WITHOUT LIMITS AND AS HIGH AS YOU POSSIBLY CAN, LIVE AS THOUGH YOU ARE IMMORTAL AND FEARLESSLY BOLD, LOVE AS COMPLETELY AS A TOTAL ECLIPSE, AND SHOOT FOR THE FAR SIDE OF THE MOON AND BEYOND!

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Kirk,

Watching you grow and mature over the last 4 years of band have been amazing. We wish you the best season yet. You make us proud. We love you to the moon and back.

love Always, Dad, Mom Nicolyn, Marco, Shana & Leon







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TESSA WE LOVE THE FACT THAT YOU PUT YOURSELF OUT THERE THIS YEAR AND GAVE MARCHING BAND A SHOT.

GO GET 'EM GIRL!! JIM AND SANDY



on all your successes in band over the years! We are very proud of you and we have had so much fun being able to experience it along with you! We love you! Hope you enjoy every minute of your senior year! Love Mom and Dad.







We are so proud of you, Sophial Good luck with all you do this year. Love, Mom & Dad



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SYDNEY, We are so proud of you and all the hard work you are Doing. You are such an amazing Young woman! Shine Bright Sydney! Love, Mom and Dad



Sarah,

You look amazing out there! Good luck and enjoy your Senior year!

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alyssa, good luck! have a great last season! love you, uncle eddie



Ashton's passion for music shows through his drive, determination and ongoing commitment to continue to learn and evolve as a musician. We are very proud of his accomplishment.

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Way to go, Ashton! --Mom and Dad



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We are so proud of all your hard work, Tommy! Best wishes to you and the Andrew Percussion team this season!

Love, Mom, Dad, Timmy, Grandma & Papa







Congratulations Jazzy! Have an outstanding year. We are proud of you!

Love your family





Congratulations Violet! Have a great senior year! We are so proud of you! Love, Mom, Dad, Raegan, Jack, and Riley











ALYSSA, SO PROUD OF ALL YOU HAVE ACCOMPLISHED! WE LOVE YOU, GRAM AND POPS body should have wound or repaired the ormolu

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Where has the time gone? You have become such an amazing young lady. As your Mom I could have never imagined my daughter would be such a kind, loving, gentle, caring, smart, beautiful (the list could go on forever). I am truly humbled and blessed to be able to call you, my daughter! I cannot believe this is your senior year, make it as great as you are. I love you so much and thank God everyday that I was chosen to be your Mom. P.S. (your as butful as a rose).

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To our handsome young man... We are so proud of the young man you have become! We wish you all the luck and happiness in your journey! We love you S0000 much!

> Love, Mom and Mom dos

Maggie -You continue to impress and amaze us! Your strength, your beauty and your passion all continue to shine through in everything that you do: Never forget how incredible you truly are! Love, Mom and Mommom











Gianna, We love you tons! Love, Mimi and Grandpa







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