



# Monthly Newsletter



◆ March 2026



## March is our “break” in the spring semester. Enjoy the pause!

As we step into March, the Band Booster Board would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to our parent volunteers for their incredible support during the musical. From providing meals to serving meals and your help striking the set, your time, generosity, and willingness to step in wherever needed made a tremendous difference. Events like these simply would not be possible without the dedication of our band families, and we are deeply grateful for each of you.

Looking ahead, we are gearing up for another busy and exciting event — WGPO at the end of March. This event is a major undertaking for our program and once again requires the support of our amazing volunteers. Whether you're able to help for a short shift or throughout the event, every contribution matters. There is a Notiphi sign up for this event.

Finally, as we plan for the future, we are actively seeking parents who may be interested in serving on the Booster Board or in coordinator roles. Getting involved is a meaningful way to support the program, meet other band families, and help ensure the continued success of Mustang Bands. If you're curious or would like more information, please don't hesitate to reach out — we would love to talk with you. Thank you again for being such a strong and supportive band community.

Next month marching band begins again. Rest now! The fun is just about to star again 😊

*Mustang Band  
Booster Board*

### In this newsletter you can expect:

Bylaws Revision  
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Info

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March 28

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## Bylaws Revision Vote - WE NEED YOUR VOTE!

Our current bylaws by which we operate on are in desperate need of a facelift. At our January board meeting a committee was formed to work on a new and better set of bylaws that will set the future of our program up for much success - but we need YOUR help!

**If you are a current band booster member, you will get an email on Tuesday evening with a Google form to cast your vote for the bylaw revision.**

**In order to pass the bylaw revision, 2/3 of our entire membership must vote to approve them in order for them to go into effect.**

Let's talk about what is included in the bylaw revision so you can have a better understanding of what you are voting for.

### **GOVERNANCE AND MEMBERSHIP**

- **Quorum Definition:** The requirement for a quorum shifted from two-thirds of the officers to simply those members who are "present and voting" at a meeting.
- **Amendment Notice:** The notice period for submitting bylaw amendments increased from 10 days to 14 days.
- **Voting Eligibility:** The 2026 version requires the board to create an annual Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) to define "membership in good standing" for voting purposes.
- **Officer Qualifications:** New eligibility rules require officers to have been in good standing the previous year and mandate that they vacate their position if their student is no longer in the band program.
- **Term Cooldown:** After completing a two-year term, executive officers must now take at least one year off before serving in another executive capacity.
- **Removal Procedures:** A detailed, formal process for removing officers was added, allowing removal by board initiation or a member-signed petition (25% of members).

### **FINANCIAL AND OPERATIONAL OVERSIGHT**

- **Transparency Requirements:** A new article requires meeting minutes, financial reports, and budgets to be posted publicly on the booster website.
- **Treasury Structure:** The number of treasurers is specified as four (4), with a "Lead Treasurer" now chosen annually by the executive board.

● **Event Planning Deadlines:** Strict new lead times for event proposals were established: 60 days notice for events in December-April and 90 days for May-November.

● **Reimbursement Rules:** Reimbursements must now be submitted within 2 weeks of purchase. The 2026 bylaws also establish a formal payout window of 14 to 30 days, depending on the season.

● **Fundraiser Approval:** All fundraisers must now be submitted in writing at least 60 days in advance for approval.

● **Indemnification:** A new article provides legal indemnification for officers against judgments or expenses incurred while performing official duties.

### **MEETING LOGISTICS**

● **Virtual Options:** While meetings remain monthly, the board now has the explicit discretion to hold meetings virtually.

● **Meeting Streaming:** In-person board meetings will now be streamed for informational purposes, though participating via stream does not count as official attendance.

● **Agenda Posting:** The requirement to post agendas online increased from 24 hours prior to a meeting to 72 hours.

The revised bylaws are attached to the email for your full review.

The committee met several times to evaluate our operating procedures, organizational structure, membership, and voting processes to ensure they remain efficient. Please note that the current booster club president and members of the Mustang band staff were not present during these revision meetings however, Mr. Edgmon has seen the revisions, and has given his feedback to the committee.

Now it rests in the members hands. **Please make sure to be on the lookout for the bylaw revision vote email in your inbox tomorrow evening! You will have a minimum of 48 hours to cast your vote.** (Possibly longer - will have a definite answer at the meeting of the deadline.)

If you don't vote, it counts as a no., so PLEASE vote!

Thank you to the committee for their hard work and dedication to setting up our booster program for success for many years to come!



## Indy Free Livestream!

If your student is in the Wind Ensemble or a 1<sup>st</sup> hour percussion student and you cannot make the trip to Indianapolis, you can watch your student perform from anywhere!

[festival.musicforall.org](https://festival.musicforall.org)

Mustang High School's performance times are as follows:

- **Wind Ensemble** - Thursday, March 26 at 6:30 EST (or 5:30 CST)
- **Percussion** - Saturday, March 28 at 8:30 am EST (or 7:30 am CST)



## WGPO @ MHS March 28

Mustang will be hosting a WGPO event on March 28 at the event center.

There are MANY positions available for volunteering for this event. This is an all hands on deck event for us.

To see all the positions available, you can visit [Notiphi](#) to sign up to help.

Thank you in advance for helping with this event!



## Musical Patches for Sale

Brand new musical patches for the 2024 Wizard of Oz and 2026 Anything Goes musical now on sale!

- No kids at MHS? ➡ Shipping option available
- Still at MHS? ➡ Free delivery available (include your student's fine arts department for correct delivery)
- **ZERO extras** will be ordered! Once the store is over, they are gone forever.
- **Store closes on Monday, March 16 at midnight.**

<https://mhsfineartspatch.itemorder.com/shop/home/>



## Class of 2026 Bouquets at May 5th concert

Special bouquets of flowers will be available at the May concert for our graduates of the class of 2026.

Available at the May concert:

- 3 rose bouquets - \$10
- 6 rose bouquets - \$18
- Senior 3 rose bouquets - \$11
- Senior 6 rose bouquets - \$19

You can order these bouquets at <https://mustangbandboosters.com> in mid April. **More info in the April newsletter.**



## Nominating & Scholarship Committee Formation

At the booster meeting tomorrow night, Tuesday, March 3 at 6:30 PM, we will be forming the nominating committee as well as the scholarship committee.

If you are interested in being a part of either committee, please either be present tomorrow evening at the meeting or reach out to Kristin at

[BoosterPresident@mustangbands.com](mailto:BoosterPresident@mustangbands.com).

The nominating committee will identify possible nominees for the available open board positions for the upcoming year.

The scholarship committee will look at essays written by students who would like to receive a band booster scholarship.

Thank you for your consideration in helping us with our committee work for this spring semester!



## 2026 Chamber Music Competition

April 18, 2026 will be our second Chamber Music Competition that we will host at our PAC. We are super excited to host students from across Oklahoma for this competition.

We will need volunteers to help with our operations that day.

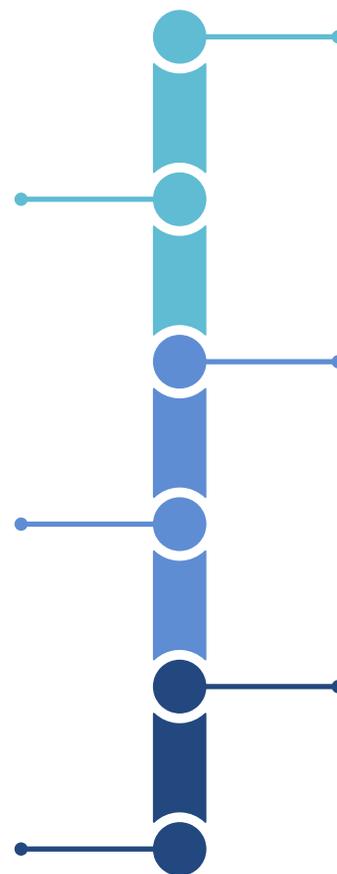
This event consists of two rounds of competition as well as a clinic from a collegiate professor.

This is a wonderful opportunity for your students to work on the chamber music that they are currently working on with their directors right now.

This year we are adding the category of strings to our competition and we couldn't be more excited to bring stringed instruments to the Mustang PAC!

To enter your student in this competition, make sure your student speaks with their director so their entire ensemble is on board. Once everyone is on board, you can register your students group at [okchambermusic.com](http://okchambermusic.com).

Next month the sign up to volunteer will be on Notiphi. Look for more information coming next month!



## Timeline for semester:

- **March**
  - Board nominating committee appointed
  - Scholarship committee formed
- **April**
  - Board nominations accepted through April
  - Budget prepared and given to exec board
- **May**
  - Board elections held at meeting
  - Budget presented for membership approval
  - Annual meeting
- Remember to renew your membership in May! You may renew it on our [website](http://okchambermusic.com).



## Be a part of the 2026 - 2027 "Get To Crew!"

If you have not had the pleasure of serving our students, you are missing out on a LOT of fun! It truly is an honor to serve our students and program in a volunteer capacity. We don't HAVE to do it - we GET TO do it!

In May of 2026 we will have the following positions open for the 2026 - 2027 school year:

**Executive Board:** (2 year terms)

- President
- 2 2-year Treasurers
- Secretary

**Coordinators:**

- Camp Crew Coordinator
- Medical Coordinator

For executive board positions, you can find job descriptions [here](#). Nominations happen in April and the vote happens in May. For coordinator positions, please email me at [BoosterPresident@mustangbands.com](mailto:BoosterPresident@mustangbands.com).

**If you are interested in holding any of these positions, please email me!**

**Please note:** all positions are not paid / compensated positions and are service to our students and program ONLY.

### 30 / 60 / 90

**30 DAYS OR LESS**

- March 3 - MPS Band Assessment Day\***
- March 3** - 6:30 pm - **Booster Meeting**
- March 7 & 8 - Guard Contest @ Tulsa** (Varsity)
- March 8 - Daylight Savings Time Starts**
- March 13 - Indy Payment 4 due** (\$300 final payment)
- March 13 - 23 - SPRING BREAK! NO SCHOOL**
- March 14 & 15 - Guard Contest in Texas** (Varsity)
- March 21 - Guard Contest @ Bixby** (Middle School, JV, Varsity)
- March 25 - 29 - National Concert Band Festival in Indianapolis**
- March 28 - ALL DAY @ PAC - Winter Guard and Percussion of OK Contest\*** (Middle School, JV & Varsity)
- March 31 - 7:00 PM - CB 1 & 2, SB 3 Concert @ PAC**

**60 DAYS OR LESS**

- April 2 & 3 - OBA HS Concert Band Festival @ PAC**
- April 3 - NO SCHOOL**
- April 3 & 4** - all day - OkPAS @ Choctaw High School
- April 6** - 6:00 - 8:30 PM - **Marching Band Wind & Percussion Audition**
- April 7** - 6:30 PM - **Booster Meeting**
- April 7 - 12 - Varsity Winter Guard @ Worlds**
- April 13** - 6:00 - 8:30 PM - **Marching Band Wind & Percussion Audition**
- April 14** - 4:00 - 5:30 PM - **Drum Major Auditions**
- April 16** - 4:00 - 5:30 PM - **Drum Major Auditions**
- April 17** - all day - MHS Solo Festival
- April 18 - Chamber Music Festival\***
- April 20 - Chamber Music Concert**
- April 21** - 7:00 PM - **HS Jazz Concert**
- April 24** - 7:00 PM - **Percussion Concert**
- April 27** - 6:00 - 8:00 PM - **Marching Band Rehearsal**
- April 27** - 6:30 - 8:00 PM - **Incoming Freshman Parent University**
- April 28** - 6:00 - 8:00 PM - **Marching Band Rehearsal**
- April 28** - 6:30 - 8:00 PM - **Incoming Sophomore Parent University**

**90 DAYS OR LESS**

- May 2** - time TBA - **Band Banquet @ Life Church Mustang\***
- May 4** - 7:00 PM - **CB1 & 2 / SB 3 Concert @ PAC**
- May 5** - 7:00 PM - **SB1 & 2 / WE Concert @ PAC**
- May 6 - 6:00 PM - Booster Meeting**
- May 11** - 6:00 - 8:00 PM - **Marching Band Rehearsal**
- May 11** - 6:30 - 8:00 PM - **Incoming Junior Parent University**
- May 12** - 6:00 - 8:00 PM - **Marching Band Rehearsal**
- May 12** - 6:30 - 8:00 PM - **Incoming Senior Parent University**
- May 12 - 8:00 PM - 2026 SHOW REVEAL**
- May 15** - time TBA - **Graduation\***
- May 20 - LAST DAY OF SCHOOL!**

\* = Volunteers Needed

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*Thank you for your time and your service to our students!*