



Riverview High School Kiltie Marching Band

May, 2018

Director's Notes

Andrew Dubbert, Director of Bands

As the year is coming to a close, it is nice to reflect on the year and look at memorable moments. There are so many to mention, but I will highlight just a few.

Our Color Guard started with 15 new members this year. They did a great job in the fall and received superior ratings at the District & State levels of Auxiliary MPA. Congratulations to a great year for our Color Guard and their new instructor, Ms. Kayla Cavanaugh.

Our Bagpipe program has done a nice job representing us this year as they did various big and small performances. Two notable performances in my book were a Veterans Day performance at McIntosh Middle School, and performing a very difficult set at the Dunedin Highland Games. Congratulations to our Bagpipers and Mr. Kevin Wiegand.

Our Highland Dancers represented us very well this year. They were outstanding performers in our fall halftime show, and they also received superior ratings at the District and State levels of Auxiliary MPA. Congratulations to our Dancers and their instructor, Ms. Alison Dietz.

Our Varsity Band made a lot of progress very quickly. They accepted the challenge of attending District Concert MPA and were quite successful by receiving a superior rating on stage and an excellent in sight-reading.

The Symphonic Winds performed well over the course of the year and had a great learning experience at District MPA earning and overall excellent on stage and superior in sight-reading.

Our Wind Ensemble performed very well and earned a superior rating at the district level Concert MPA. They traveled to Vero Beach to perform at the state level Concert MPA and returned with a superior rating for the 6th consecutive year.

Last but not least, I enjoyed earning the 59th consecutive superior rating with our Kiltie marching band, and marching in the McDonalds Thanksgiving Day Parade in Chicago!

Thank you to all of our staff for their hard work this year and last year. Mrs. Farmer has been irreplaceable and is the glue to our Kiltie Band. Mr. Evans and Mr. Vagn are fantastic to work with, and are extremely knowledgeable. Mr. Wiegand, Ms. Cavanaugh, and Mrs. Dietz are a pleasure to work with and are a fantastic addition to our band program. Our Kilties would not be the same without you.

Thank you, parents, for supporting your students in music, as it is a great activity for them to participate in. They have been expected to learn non-verbal communication skills, lead their peers, set and achieve long term goals, work in large and small groups, exert mental and physical discipline, and uphold the tradition of excellence instituted from musicians before them. It has been my pleasure to work with you all this year.

Musically,

Andrew C. Dubbert



From the President

Tim Beattie, Kiltie Band Booster President

Hello, Kiltie Family!

As I sit here thinking about my final article for the Kiltie newsletter, there are so many incredible experiences that come to mind, it is difficult to decide what to say. This has been an outstanding year with a new band director, a trip to Chicago, and another superior rating for the band at MPAs. Did I mention another superior rating? The musicians showed again how talented they are and should be proud of everything they have accomplished.

Having the opportunity to be a part of the Kilties has changed my life. I have new friends that will continue to be a part of my life. There are memories I will never forget, and I hope I have had a positive influence on others. When you have an opportunity to be involved with your kids, take it and cherish that brief time because it goes by quickly. Before you know it, they are off to be productive members of society.

There are so many wonderful volunteers that helped this year, and I want to thank all of you for giving your time to the Kilties. The Kiltie boosters logged 1671 volunteer hours this year. The more volunteers we have, the easier it is, and the more we can do as a booster organization.

For the senior parents, I wish you the best and stay in touch. For the senior band members, congratulations and I hope to see you at the alumni game. For the new parents joining the Kiltie family, welcome and take advantage of the chance to participate in the Kiltie organization.

Mr. Dubbert was sent to us for a reason, and it showed this year. I am confident the band will continue to flourish under his guidance. I will continue to volunteer this next year and hope to meet all the new parents joining us. Your new board will do fantastic things with your help. Always remember, once a Kiltie always a Kiltie.

Tim Beattie



Kiltie Carpool

Would you appreciate help getting your Kiltie to and from practices and performances? Or would you be willing to help transport someone else's Kiltie? It takes a lot of rehearsals to achieve excellence, and it can be nice to connect with other families who live near you.

The Kiltie Booster Club is offering to map Kiltie families and share contact information. You can then coordinate for weekly rides to rehearsals or just keep the info as a backup in case you could use occasional transportation help.

Only the people who participate will have access to the map. We'll send it out in an email, and then we'll leave it to you to get in touch with other carpoolers and make plans to coordinate transportation.

*To opt in to participating, click [here](#). Questions? Contact [Joy Mayer](#), parent of clarinet player, Patrick.

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From the Vice President

Diana Poncelet, Kiltie Band Booster Vice President and Secretary

Hello Kiltie Family,

Here we are at the crossroads of many bittersweet endings and numerous, exciting beginnings. School is ending, our seniors are leaving high school behind forever, and my term limit as VP has come. Our seniors will be moving further down their future path, our new Kiltie officers are being trained, and we are eagerly awaiting the arrival of our newest members to the Kiltie family. Several new people have stepped up to take the reins and keep our Kilties moving forward. They're an excellent group who has the best interests of our students and music program as their top priority.

I want to send out thanks to a multitude of people:

- Thank you to those that came before me and helped guide me along. The journey would not have been as easy without your guidance.
- Thank you to those who were on this ride with me. We had some great laughs, found solutions to problems, and balanced each other out perfectly. I was glad to have been in your company the last couple years.
- Thank you to those coming in behind me and taking over. You're going to do great things, and I'm excited for our next year. I promise that I will mentor you along as those before me did.
- Thank you to the band staff for your patience and support. We are a cohesive and symbiotic team, and we appreciate the care you put into our students.
- Thank you to those parents that are willing to step up and do what is needed. You're the lifeblood of this organization and without you, we would fail.

Someone once asked me, "Why do you care to put so much into your 'volunteer career'?" This was an easy question, and I had multiple answers ready. Foremost, Family is First. Family not only means the people that are my direct and dear (or not so dear) relations, families come in many different forms. I have a wonderful Work Family in which we've shared the many ups and downs of life: watched each other's children born and grow, shared in the deaths of loved ones and made memories outside the confines of an office. The Kilties are my family, as well. I've made some great friends, shared in some special moments, burst with pride at the accomplishments of our students, and helped create

memories that will hopefully remain with them through the years.

My second answer to the question is, "Time is a thief and whatever is stolen, can never be returned." Time is stealing from you right now. I don't want to miss out on my children's lives, so I'm involved in the things that matter. Merely being an observer is not good enough for me. I want to be in the essence of it and share in the joy or sorrow. Their time under my roof is minimal before they go out into their adult life. Let's face the truth: once adults, opportunities to be so deeply involved in their life are limited. I'll have plenty of time to focus on me once they're adults. Volunteering in the Kilties allows me to be there but not hover over them. I'm there to help every child but still can "share" that special time with mine, as they will remember me being a part of it.

Lastly, doing something good for someone else makes me feel good. It gives me joy to share my time and make a difference. It's just part of who I am and how I live life. Yes, I do things for myself, but I also try to balance it out by giving to others. If everyone gave just a small amount of themselves for the greater good, someone else's world would be much improved. In Kilties, the world of over 200 people would be bettered. I'm hoping that I'm also modeling behaviors that my children will carry into their adult life.

I excitedly look ahead to my youngest child's last year in Kilties. Even though I won't be in a position on the board, I will still be working behind the scenes in a few different areas. To those who have been on the sidelines observing, don't let the opportunity to be a bigger part of this go by. I can refer you to countless parents who found out how amazing this Kiltie Family is and have regretted all the chances they missed to be involved. You will NEVER get that time back. Don't be shy! Trust me, we won't bite. I am an extremely shy person, almost to the point of being awkward, but I have found a welcoming place here. So can you!

Have a safe summer and I hope to see you soon!

Sincerely,
Diana Poncelet

"Music is one of the most powerful things the world has to offer. No matter what race or religion or nationality or sexual orientation or gender that you are, it has the power to unite us."

Lady Gaga

*We thank our exiting
Booster Club Officers for
their hard work and
dedication to our Kilties:*

2017 - 2018 Booster Club Officers

President: Tim Beattie

Vice President and Secretary: Diana Poncelet

Treasurer: Danelle Gilberti

*We wish our exiting Band
Officers the best in their
future endeavors:*

2017 - 2018 Band Officers

Drum Majors: Bobby Brunner and Clancy Patten

Band Captain: Ryleigh Taylor

Principal Dancer: Elysa Cardamone



Kiltie Merchandise Fundraiser

Check out the Kiltie items for sale on our web site! Remember that items offered help fund the trips and activities for our Kiltie Band members.

To see Kiltie items available, go to:

www.RHSKiltieBand.net/Kiltie-Swag-Store

Would you like to volunteer to help with the Kiltie Store? Please contact [Rene North](#).

2018 - 2019 Band Officers:

Drum Majors: Dalton Beattie and Maddie Hastie

Band Captain: Nick Vagn

Pipe Major: Massimo Giannini

Colorguard Captain: Charlee Ruth

Principal Dancers: Morgan Corbridge and Katelyn Johnson

Section Leaders:

FLUTE: Ashley Lewis

CLARINET: Ilah Askren, Ally Wolf

ALTO SAX: Luke Truskowski

TENOR SAX: Michael Medico

TRUMPET: Jose Callaway, Brady Truedinger

FRENCH HORN: Colleen Brasacchio

TROMBONE: Ben Heath

BARITONE: Max Curran

TUBA: Nathan Reid

PERCUSSION: Raegan Nolte

GUARD CO-CAPTAIN: Ariana Aristumuno

Squad Leaders:

FLUTE: Gabby Lester, Georgia Russell, Oliwa Potepa

CLARINET: Eric Negroni, AJ Rumancik, Patrick Mayer, Sophia Anderson

ALTO SAX: James Lapid, Owen Schmitt

TENOR SAX: Jarek Maleszka

TRUMPETS: Ben North, Justin Korwin, Julia Poncelet

FRENCH HORN: Alex Garcia

TROMBONE: Johan Redhead

BARITONE: N/A

TUBA: Gabriella Gonzalez

PERCUSSION:

Snare - TBA

Tenors - TBA

Bass - TBA

Cymbals - Justin Michael

Front Ensemble - Daren Reitsma

DANCE: Susan Wyatt, Maddie Egan

GUARD: Sarah Dell, Kaia Cheney

PIPES: N/A

Lieutenants:

BAND SECRETARY: Brooklyn Cline

UNIFORM: Odalys Martinez, Emily Gipson

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LOW BRASS: Randy Warlick

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GUARD: Ava Vilardi

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Kiltie Schedule (subject to change)

Confirm schedule on Calendar link on Home page of web site

May 30, 31/June 1, 4, 5, 6, 7: Summer Band for all new Kilties & Officers (8 AM – noon)

June 1: "Meet and Mingle" at PDQ, (6 PM - 8 PM)

July 30, 31/August 1, 2: Kiltie Band Camp for all Kiltie Band Members (8 AM – 1 PM)

August 9: First Marching Rehearsal (6 PM – 8 PM)
Ice Cream Social (8 PM)
Family Informational Night (Time TBD)

August 13, 2018: First Day of School for Students

August 18: Uniform Checkout

August 21: Family Informational Night (Time TBD)

September 10: Booster Meeting (7 PM)

Riverview High School Kiltie Staff:

Director of Bands:	Mr. Andy Dubbert
Associate Director:	Norm Vagn
Secretary:	Kate Farmer
Bagpipes:	Kevin Weigand
Color Guard:	Kayla Cavanaugh
Highland Dance:	Alison Dietz
Percussion:	Chuck Evans



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