

OAK GROVE BANDS

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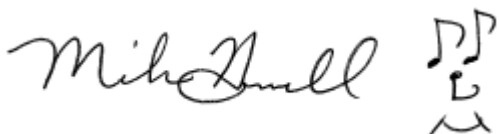
I hope everyone is having a wonderful summer and enjoying some vacation time here and there. With marching band camps right around the corner, I wanted to take a moment to share some great news!

I am very pleased and excited to announce that Mr. Matthew S. Liner (Matt) will be the new Director of Bands at Oak Grove Middle School. Matt comes to us with years of experience teaching both middle and high school band with tons of success. Prior to coming to OG, Matt taught previously in Davidson County, Ronald Reagan High School, and most recently, Meadowlark Middle School in Forsyth County. All of these bands under his direction have placed many students in honor bands at the county, district, and state levels. His concert and jazz bands have also earned numerous Superior ratings at district MPA and other festivals. Matt has also served on numerous band committees statewide and is currently Chair-Elect of the Northwest District Bandmasters Association, taking over as Chairman in the fall of 2022.

The band students and community of Oak Grove are very fortunate to have Matt as a band director and I am sure that his ultimate goals are to help our students learn to love playing an instrument and continue growing our program, making it one of the best! I am sure he will be reaching-out very soon with lots of great info about this upcoming school year.

Congratulations Matt, and we are looking forward to having you in our OG band family!

Musically,



Mike Howell