

O'GORMAN MARCHING KNIGHTS

Class AAA—Sioux Falls, South Dakota



DIRECTOR: Ben Koch

PERCUSSION/AUDIO: Jason Raether

COLOR GUARD/VISUAL DESIGN: Emily Savage

COLOR GUARD: Melanie Sittig

WINDS/VISUAL: Nick Sittig

SCHOOL ENROLLMENT: 650

BAND MEMBERS: 79



<https://oghs.ogknights.org/activities/performing-arts>

<https://www.facebook.com/ogormanband/>

CLASS AAA—FIELD

“A NEW DAWN”



FIELD MUSIC ARRANGERS: Shane Gwaltney (Synced Up Designs)
FIELD SHOW DESIGNERS: Shane Gwaltney (Synced Up Designs)
Additional design by Emily Savage

The O’Gorman High School instrumental program is a comprehensive 9th through 12th grade band program, consisting of the marching band, 2 concert bands, pep band, 2 jazz bands, jazz combos, brass choir, musical theater pit orchestra, and a host of other musical activities. Band members performing tonight also serve as members of nearly every other activity and team sport offered at the high school.

The Marching Knights are directed by Ben Koch assisted by Jason Raether. Guard Caption Head is Emily Savage, assisted by Melanie Sittig Amelia Jibben, and Raeya Allen. Percussion Caption Head is Jason Raether, assisted by Luke Casey, and Lucia Hofflander. Visual and musical technicians are Nick Sittig and Father Jacob Doty. Musical, Visual, and Audio Design for this year’s show is by Shane Gwaltney and the team at Synced Up Designs. Additional visual design, consulting, and choreography was created by Emily Savage.

The O’Gorman Marching Knights are proud to present their 2024 field show:

A New Dawn. Joy. Hope. Renewal.

"A NEW DAWN" is a musical interpretation of these qualities. Every day represents a choice for how we approach life, and every sunrise is an opportunity for a fresh start. Through exuberant melodies and vibrant choreography, the Knights are here to bring you to a place of joy that inspires you to remember the wonder of the world around you and to make the most of every New Dawn.

DRUM MAJORS: Ella Adamiak, Alana Benson , Alisha Mueller
GUITAR SOLOIST: Thomas Merritt
TROMBONE SOLOIST: Noah Dobbs
MELLOPHONE SOLOISTS: Landon Sohre
VISUAL SOLOISTS: Lauren Harvison and Victoria Chen
COLOR GUARD LEADERS: Kaylee Hulme and Stephanie Rutten
PERCUSSION LEADERS: Issac Solomon (Battery)
Austin Labahn and Ella Junck (Front Ensemble)



AWARDS & APPEARANCES

This year, the Marching Knights competed in Marshall, Minnesota, at the Pursuit of Excellence competition. They continue their season tonight in Brandon, South Dakota, at the Big Sioux Review. They'll also perform in Minneapolis, Minnesota, at the Youth in Music Marching Band Championships and in Vermillion, South Dakota, at the Quad-States Marching Festival. They'll also co-host the annual Festival of Bands, USA, at Howard Wood Field, along with the other public high school bands in Sioux Falls. The Marching Knights would like to thank the terrific hosts here at the Tri-State Band Festival. They'd also like to thank their friends and family, all of their Band Parent Volunteers, as well as the students, faculty, and administration of O’Gorman High School for their continued support!

- Pursuit– 2nd in Class
- Tri-State– 1st, Best Color Guard, Best Drum Majors
- Big Sioux Review—1st Place, Best Drum Majors, Best Color Guard, Best Percussion, Best Winds, George Gulson People’s Choice Award
- Awarded Youth in Music—6th in Class