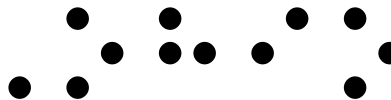


Ohio State School for the Blind Marching Panthers spell “Ohio” in Braille at Ohio Stadium



Each Braille character (cell) has a possibility of six dots arranged thus:

1 4
2 5
3 6



Braille “Ohio” takes 5 cells:

1. Dot 6 (which means the next character is a capital letter)
2. “o” Dots 1,3,5 (Dots 1 and 3 are standing on the 45 yd. line)
3. “h” Dots 1,2,5 (Dot 5 is standing on the 50 yd. line)
4. “i” Dots 2,4 (Dot 4 is crossing the 45 yd. line)
5. “o” Dots 1,3,5 (All between the 45 and 40 yd. lines)

In the photo the capital dot, the *O*, the *h*, one dot of the *i*, and the final *o* are in place. A marching assistant is backing up to join the line of marching assistants. Assistant Fred Agler is assisting sousaphone player Boniface Womber to his place where he will be the “dot 4” in the *i*. Braille “Ohio” is bordered on the left and right by lines of students and assistants. At the top is a line of assistants that march with those spelling “Ohio” in Braille. One of those assistants is OSU marching band member Jessica Simecek.