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2017 Independence Band Tournament Director's Packet

WELCOME: On behalf of the Independence High School Music Boosters, thank you for adding our competition to your field show season schedule! We are filled with anticipation and excitement and are so pleased you will attend!

Contest Contacts:

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FIRST AID: Please make sure your parent chaperones and student leaders are aware of the location of our first aid station. First aid will be located at the Band director check in area. There is also a regional hospital ½ down Jackson Ave.

BUS/EQUIPMENT TRUCK PARKING: Trucks, buses and support vehicles will park in the north parking lot off of Jackson Avenue. Gates will open at 12:00pm. There will be signs and parking personnel available to assist you. Please try to have trucks and buses arrive together as space is limited. They will need to present WBA credentials.

Band Director Check-In will be adjacent to the Spectator entrance.

ARRIVAL/WRISTBANDS: Wristbands for performers, pit crew/parent helpers will be given to you in your check-in packet upon arrival per WBA regulations. These wristbands will allow entrance to the away-side of the stadium. Directors and staff will need to use their official WBA Membership Badge for admission to the stadium. Any chaperones that wish to watch on the home side will be asked to purchase a spectator wristband from the ticket booth.

MUSIC WARM UP AREAS: Music warm up may take place anywhere inside the Independence Campus; however, please be aware of the Quiet zones due to an event happening in our Theater. Please make sure there is a building separating your ensemble from the Stadium out of courtesy to the other performing ensembles. Also, please refrain from warming up in the Bus/Truck parking lot and other open areas where you can see the stadium. Rule of thumb is if you can see the stadium, they can hear you. **Percussion, please stay away from quiet zones as far as possible.**

PERCUSSION EQUIPMENT/PROPS: Please make sure you have adequate staff and means to assist the moving of your percussion equipment and props to and from the performance area. Please see the Detailed Schedule for Front Ensemble report times on the WBA website. **Motorized vehicles are NOT allowed on the field turf at any time.**

STAGING: See Maps attached below.

TIMING: 1A/2A/3A bands have 13 minutes and 4A/5A have 15 minutes to take the field, perform, and exit the field. Please refer to the WBA contest rule book for further clarification.

JUDGE'S COMMENTS: The WBA now uses a software program called *Competition Suite*. Please refer to the WBA web site under forms to make sure you are signed up for this.

AWARDS CEREMONY: The awards ceremony will begin at approximately 9:30 pm. Please send your student leadership to the track on the south-east side of the stadium (the back of side 1, where the front ensembles pre-staged). They should arrive by 9:15 pm. Trophies will be awarded for the following:

The following awards will be awarded:

1st, 2nd and 3rd Place in Each Class

Best Music in Each Class: Music Perf (Ind) + Music Perf (Ens)

Best Marching/Movement in Each Class: Vis Perf (Ind) + Vis Perf (Ens)

Best Effect in Each Class: Music Effect + Visual Effect

Best Percussion in Each Class: Percussion

Best Auxiliary in Each Class: Auxiliary

SEATING ASSIGNMENTS FOR VISITOR STANDS: Visitor side seating for the performers and chaperones is on a first come first served basis.

CONCESSION STANDS: There will be an assortment of great food, drinks, and snacks for participants and spectators. **NO GRILLS OR OPEN FIRES ARE ALLOWED ON THE CAMPUS, STADIUM OR PARKING LOTS.** This is a fundraising event and we encourage all participants to support our event by purchasing food at the concession stands in the stadium.

HOSPITALITY: The I.H.S. Band Boosters will provide light snacks and drinks for directors and staff located in the music building, which is south of the stadium complex.

SPECTATOR PARKING: Due to the large amount of equipment vehicles and buses at this year's show, spectators will need to find parking on Jackson Ave and the surrounding neighborhood streets. There is also a parking lot located about ¼ mile away on the corner of Jackson and McKee. **Handicapped parking will be available in the Bus and truck parking area, close to the spectator entrance.**

PROGRAMS: Programs will be on sale for \$8

TICKETS: \$12 for adults. \$10 for students and seniors (62+).
Military with ID, Children five and under: FREE

CASH ONLY. No credit cards or checks accepted.

Doors open at 3:00pm

*Thank You for Choosing the
Independence 2017 Band Tournament*

DIRECTIONS

FROM THE PENNINSULA:

TAKE HIGHWAY **101** SOUTH TO THE **McKEE RD. EXIT.**

GO EAST ON McKEE RD. TURN LEFT ON **JACKSON AVE.**

DRIVE PAST THE STADIUM AND TURN LEFT INTO PARKING LOT.

FROM THE NORTH and EAST BAY:

TAKE INTERSTATE **680** SOUTH TO THE **McKEE RD. EXIT.**

GO WEST ON McKEE RD. TURN RIGHT AT THE FIRST STOP LIGHT (**Jackson Ave.**)

DRIVE PAST THE STADIUM AND TURN LEFT INTO PARKING LOT.

FROM THE SOUTH:

TAKE HIGHWAY **101** NORTH TO THE **McKEE RD. EXIT.**

GO EAST ON McKEE RD. TURN LEFT ON **JACKSON AVE.**

DRIVE PAST THE STADIUM AND TURN LEFT INTO PARKING LOT.

FROM WEST SAN JOSE AREA:

TAKE INTERSTATE **280** TOWARDS DOWNTOWN SANJOSE/SACRAMENTO.

TAKE THE **McKEE RD. EXIT.** GO WEST ON McKEE RD. TURN RIGHT AT THE FIRST STOP LIGHT (**Jackson Ave.**)

DRIVE PAST THE STADIUM AND TURN LEFT INTO PARKING LOT.

(Please note: as previously mentioned spectator parking is available on the street and shopping center parking lot)

Performing Units



