



2020 WBA Virtual Festival Guide

IMPORTANT DATES FOR 2020

Registration for each event closes 7 days prior to the video submission date.

EVENT	REGISTRATION CLOSE DATE	VIDEO SUBMISSION ACCEPTED	VIDEO SUBMISSION DEADLINE	ADJUDICATION DATES	FLOMARCHING DATES
WBA Virtual Festival	Tues Oct 13	Fri Oct 16	Tues Oct 20	Oct 20-22	Oct 24-25
WBA Virtual Festival	Tues Oct 20	Fri Oct 23	Tues Oct 27	Oct 27-Oct 29	Oct 31-Nov 1
WBA Virtual Festival	Tues Oct 27	Fri Oct 30	Tues Nov 3	Nov 3-5	Nov 7-8
WBA Virtual Festival	Tues Nov 3	Fri Nov 6	Tues Nov 10	Nov 10-12	Nov 14-15
2020 WBA Finale	Tues Nov 10	Fri Nov 13	Tues Nov 17	Nov 17-19	Nov 21-22

Definitions:

Registration Date: The last date schools can confirm the participation of individuals, ensembles, and/or bands.

Submission Date: The date that all submissions from schools need to be confirmed by e-Adjudicate. 12 noon PST.

Adjudication Dates: Dates that adjudicators provide an evaluation of the submitted videos. Commentary will be provided immediately to the school upon the completion of the evaluation.

FloMarching Dates: Dates videos will be available for viewing on FloMarching from 9:00 AM Saturday to 11:59 PM Sunday each week. ***This might be adjusted for longer viewing at a later date.

Unfortunately, there are no exceptions to these dates and times, please plan and register accordingly.

PARTICIPATION & ENSEMBLE REGISTRATION

WBA is excited to offer a virtual performance option for ensembles of all sizes and skill levels.

Ensembles will be evaluated using WBA sheets and can select 1/2/3A or 4/5A as their division. The standard WBA approach will be used when evaluating 1/2/3A ensembles and 4/5A ensembles. We are keeping the two divisions in play to help shape feedback that's appropriate for the size of each ensemble.

Directors will receive recorded feedback via e-Adjudicate and a ranking that will be posted publicly (in lieu of recaps) on the WBA website. If you do not wish your ranking to be published please email us at admin@westernbands.org asking that your ensemble be given exhibition status.

Important Registration Information

If you're planning to submit a registration for an ensemble that is **not your marching band** (e.g. you're going to register a concert band, percussion ensemble, color guard ensemble, mixed ensemble, etc.), **please create a new ensemble on the WBA website** for that non-marching band ensemble. If you're not fielding a marching band (standstill or otherwise), it's perfectly ok to not have any registrations for that particular ensemble this season.

To add a new ensemble, please log in to your WBA account and click on "Add A Band" on the left-hand side of your Director Dashboard. You can have as many non-marching band ensembles under your account/school as needed, simply add them as separate "bands". You will be asked to provide a name for each ensemble, e.g. Main Street High School Winds Ensemble A, Main Street High School Winds Ensemble B, the Main Street High School United Together Color Guard, etc.

Each ensemble will have its own place for invoices and production information. This is where you can adjust participant numbers and provide information such as title, musical selections, etc., which will be shared with adjudicators.

Please reach out to admin@westernbands.org if you have any questions about how to register an additional ensemble for your school.

ADJUDICATION

WBA standards and sheets will be used to ensure an educational experience for all participating ensembles. Our sheets and adjudicators will provide a rank for each ensemble's submission. An average of the three adjudicators will determine the ensemble's overall Virtual Festival rating. The ranks are listed below.

Superior
Excellent
Good
Fair
Weak

VIDEO SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

Please keep all submissions 10 minutes or less. There are no timing penalties.

Your production information should be completely up to date by the time registration closes.

RESULTS - CELEBRATION CEREMONIES

Each ensemble's ranking will be made public as well as their submission video unless the ensemble has chosen to perform in exhibition (please email us at admin@westernbands.org to be placed in exhibition).

Pre-produced Celebration Ceremony video event on FloMarching to be hosted Saturday evening at 6:00 PM PST each week of a scheduled event. *subject to change

WITHDRAWAL

An ensemble can add or remove a performance up until the deadline of registration. If an ensemble must withdraw from an event after such time, no refund will be provided.

WBA MEMBERSHIP

If you would like to be a member of the 2020 season, please email admin@westernbands.org **ASAP**. Membership provides your students with a special 2020 commemorative patch and also gives your organization the ability to vote on proposals at the annual meeting.

PAYMENT DEADLINE

Please submit payments no later than December 1st.

RULES OF PERFORMANCE

WBA will follow the rules laid out in the current rule book. There will be no timing penalties. If you have specific questions or concerns please email us at admin@westernbands.org.

WBA SEASON FINALE

Participation in the Finale is open to all ensembles. No prior virtual event attendance is required.

REGISTRATION & VIDEO SUBMISSION

Step 1: Create your e-Adjudicate Account

<https://www.e-adjudicate.com/index.asp>

You do not need to create a new e-Adjudicate account if you already have one.

- To create an account, click on Login + Signup.
- Click on Register to create an account.
- Complete the form with Email, User Name, and Password.
- Your account is now active and you will need to be logged in to proceed with the registration and video submission process.

Step 2: Create your FloMarching Account

<https://www.flomarching.com/>

You do not need to create a new FloMarching account if you already have one.

- To create an account, click on Join Now.
- Fill out the Email and Password fields.
- After confirming your email, the account creation process is complete.
- Remaining logged in will help when you upload your video(s).
- You do not have to purchase a subscription to upload your video(s).

Step 3: FloMarching Video Submission (Friday-Tuesday)

Step-by-Step video upload

- Double-check that you are logged into the correct event.
- Drag and Drop your video or Select Files to Upload.
- Fill out the Title, Description, State, Region, and Performance Category fields.
- Once your video is finished uploading, click “Complete,” which will generate a confirmation email containing the link for your video.
- Check the email account which is registered for FloMarching, you should have received an email with the subject, “FloMarching Video Upload Confirmation.”
Click “This Link” to open a new browser window with your video. Copy the video URL.

Step 4: Return to e-Adjudicate for Remainder of Registration

- Paste the URL of the video into the field labeled “Address to the posted video or music.”
- Choose Your “Division”
 - Assign an Adjudicator by selecting the corresponding adjudicator (Music, Visual, Effect, etc.). You must select 3 adjudicators for your Ensemble in order for the registration to be complete.
- Click “Save and Continue,” and then “Confirm Your Order.”
- Choose “Payment Method” and use the credit option. If you don’t see that you have a credit on the account to use, stop and contact admin@westernbands.org.

Video Tutorials to Uploading to e-Adjudicate & FloMarching

More Tutorials and information will be posted in this google drive, please check back often for updates.

<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/113YpETrz8sA710wQ6q-RCZna1bcXA0fD?usp=sharing>

VIDEO SUBMISSION CYCLE OVERVIEW

