



DESERT VISTA HIGH SCHOOL
"THUNDER IN THE HILLS"
Marching Invitational

April 22, 2017

Dear Fellow AZ Music Educators,

I would like to personally invite you to the **2017 Desert Vista "Thunder in the Hills" Marching Invitational** at Desert Vista High School on **Saturday, September 30, 2017**. I know you have many choices and decisions to make regarding your season schedule. We would be honored if you made our show part of your season.

The Desert Vista Marching Invitational will provide the opportunity for your marching band to grow and develop by receiving first-rate feedback from local ABODA adjudicators in a highly sought-after venue. This event is a qualifier for the ABODA State Marching Festival and will be utilizing an ABODA judging panel. The schedule will be open to all divisions: Festival Class, Div. 3, Div. 2, & Div. 1. You may also choose for your band to be RANKED or RATED. If you choose to compete in the ranked format, this score can be used as one of your two highest for the seeding process.

The Registration Form (Google Doc) and Program Information sheet can be found on our Invitational webpage ([DV TITH Director's Detail](#) contact Mr. Thye for password). The official application deadline for entry and payment is **Friday, September 8, 2017**. *Hurry though...! Your registration (including payment) determines your order in the schedule.* Please let me know ASAP if you would like me to "pencil" you in. I hope the Desert Vista Marching Invitational can be part of your upcoming fall marching schedule.

Note: This event will include a Hospitality Tent in the North end zone for Directors and Staff, and we are planning a special exhibition performance in the evening.

Please don't hesitate to contact me with any questions. Good luck with your 2017 marching season and I look forward to seeing you on September 30th!

Sincerely,

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