



Dear Directors,

Congratulations on your qualification for the Arizona State Marching Band Championships! We are excited about having the event at Sun Devil Stadium on the campus of Arizona State University. With the exciting new upgrades to the stadium and the hosting of the event by Jim Hudson, Brandy DuBose and Kappa Kappa Psi, we know that this will be a positive, exciting conclusion to the marching season for your band!

Please make sure to print out the maps and have them with you the day of the event to make sure you are clear on traffic patterns, etc. This will aid in making this a positive experience for your students, staff and parent volunteers.

- **Check in**

Check in will be just south of the solar panels off Packard Drive, this is the same area it has been in the past for ASU Band Day. There you will get a map, wristbands for students, staff, field level volunteers and director badges.

- **Wristbands for students, staff, and volunteers**

You will be given the same amount of wrist bands as at the SMBF. **If you need additional wristbands, please email me right away.** The cost is the same as the general admission price (\$15.00). **Volunteers and staff will not be able to enter the field level without a wristband.** Directors will receive a badge for this event. Extra wristbands MUST be purchased prior to the event. The student wrist band numbers were based on your competition declaration form numbers. People will not be admitted to the stadium without a wristband or badge. ONCE AGAIN....if you need additional wrist bands PLEASE contact me before 11/16 so I can take payment and have them in your check in packet. After that you will have to make do with the number provided.

Please let your administration know that they will be able to use their AIA cards to enter the stadium. They will need to show it at the ticket window and get a wrist band.

- **Equipment trucks**

Will park on the north side of the stadium so that it is an easy walk after you exit the field.

- **Buses**

Will park just south of the solar panels

- **Solar Panels**

NO VEHICLES WILL BE ALLOWED TO PARK HERE....(note: there may be ASU student vehicles in this area)

This area in the shade is for open warm up but we ask that **NO VEHICLES PARK HERE.** ☺

- **Warm Up**

A and B will be located in the north parking lot close to the performers entrance.

- **Band Performance Entrance**

Located on the far Northwest side of the stadium. You will enter through the first gate that takes you to the northwest ramp to enter the field. All Pit, Band, Colorguard and props will enter through the same tunnel.

- **Access to stadium**

While your band is performing the stairs are now located at the band entrance in the northwest or southwest corner, no access to field level from the center of the field.

- **Band Exit**

Band, Colorguard and props will all exit the northeast Tunnel off the field, it is a straight shot to your equipment truck parking for easy loading.

- **Pit Exit**

Pits will exit the Southwest tunnel as normal, they will then proceed by the concession area and reenter the stadium on the west side to proceed down the West moat to exit out the northeast tunnel as well. Pits may have to hold at the southeast tunnel before making their way along the back if the next band is about to begin or hold behind the tarp on the 50 pending how long it takes to make the walk around. This will keep the traffic low and everyone still coming out the same way through the northeast tunnel.

Pit equipment needs to have Pneumatic tires

(a tire made of reinforced rubber and filled with compressed air; used on motor vehicles and bicycles)

- **Props**

In order to get props onto the field they will need Pneumatic tires

(a tire made of reinforced rubber and filled with compressed air; used on motor vehicles and bicycles) or be carried on the field by your parents and something placed under the props so that they do not puncture the field. ALL BANDS were emailed about this in August to give you time to prepare.

- **Band Re-Enter**

Bands can re-enter into the stadium via the Northwest Ramp that leads to the concourse level, same as it has been in the past.

- **Check in**

Please have your drum majors report to the PIT EXIT gate and the SW corner of the field at the end of the final division band for the awards ceremony.

- **Video Pass**

Each school will receive 1 video pass for an adult to video tape YOUR PERFORMANCE ONLY for educational purposes. The official video area will be on the roof. Elevators to gain roof access is located behind the main concourse concession stand. This person MUST have the video pass with them to gain access. The video pass will be in your check in packet.

- **Photos**

Jolesch Enterprises will be on site taking side line shots that will be for sale. THERE IS NO GROUP PHOTO AT THIS EVENT.

- **Photos**

Box 5 will be on site for video recording of the event. Students and parents can or at the event or order online at Box5.com

Box5-TV will also livestream the event for those who aren't able to be there. They can purchase the livestream at <https://box5tv.com/aboda/>

- **Water Stations**

- Check In
- Warm Up Areas
- Band Entrance
- Band Exit

- **Concessions**

The center concession stand will be open on the concourse level.

- **Vendors**

Vendors will be placed near the concession stand north of the open concession stand.

Anton Sports – Championship T-shirts

Box 5 Media – DVD and Digital downloads of the event.

Jolesch Enterprises – order side line photos or group photos from the State Marching Festival.

Music and Arts -

The Academy Drum and Bugle Corps – Recruiting materials and general information

Origami Owl – jewelry vendor

Only Championship staff and judges will be allowed on the suite level.

- **Judges**

The judges will be located on the Mid First Bank suite level in the center.

2017 Championship Judges Panel

Mark Harting – Music

Mark Hoskins – Music

Kyle Miller – Visual

Randall Standridge – Visual

Darrin Davis – General Effect

Gary Locke – General Effect

Ralph Hardimon – Percussion

Robert Solomon – Auxiliary

Head Judge – Eric Haenfler

Tabulator – Rhonda Manning

- **Admission**

General admission price is \$15.00. Single ticket is good for the entire event.

If you have questions about the site, please contact Brandy DuBose at Brandy.dubose@asu.edu

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