

UIL MARCHING BAND UPDATES 2023-24

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CONSTITUTION & CONTEST RULES (C&CR)

2023 NEW RULES FOR MARCHING BAND

- 1. SECTION 1106 (H) (1), (2): AREA MARCHING CONTEST. THIS AMENDMENT REDUCES THE NUMBER OF BANDS NECESSARY TO HAVE A SECOND ROUND AT THE AREA CONTEST FROM 14 TO 10.**
- 2. SECTION 1107 (A): STATE MARCHING CONTEST. THIS AMENDMENT CHANGES THE CONTEST FROM AN ALTERNATING-YEAR FORMAT TO AN EVERY-YEAR FORMAT.**
- 3. SECTION 1107 (G): STATE MARCHING CONTEST. THIS AMENDMENT CHANGES 4A BANDS FROM BEING EVALUATED UTILIZING THE 5-JUDGE SYSTEM TO BEING EVALUATED USING THE 7-JUDGE SYSTEM.**

REMINDERS OF RECENT MARCHING RULES

THE RES AND THE CONTEST HOST SHOULD MAKE EVERY EFFORT POSSIBLE TO ENSURE NON-ESSENTIAL WIRELESS FREQUENCIES IN A VENUE ARE TURNED OFF AND ANY ACTIVE FREQUENCIES ARE COMMUNICATED TO THE PARTICIPATING BANDS IN ADVANCE OF THE CONTEST. THERE WILL BE NO “RESTARTS”, DELAYS OR DO-OVERS DUE TO ANY ISSUE RELATED TO ELECTRONICS.

THE UIL MARCHING BAND RULES ADVISORY COMMITTEE PASSED A PROPOSAL ALLOWING BANDS AT A CONTEST TO CHECK WIRELESS DEVICES ONLY DURING CONTEST INTERMISSIONS AND DURING THE 7-MINUTE PERIOD THAT INCLUDES A BAND’S 2-MINUTE FIELD EXIT AND A BAND’S 5-MINUTE FIELD ENTRANCE. THIS INCLUDES BANDS IN WARM-UP AND OTHER AREAS AROUND THE STADIUM. THIS INFORMATION SHOULD BE INCLUDED IN THE HOST PACKET FOR EVERY CONTEST.

WARM UP TIMING – NEW IN 2022

FOR CONSISTENCY AT EVERY ROUND OF COMPETITION THE UIL MARCHING BAND RULES ADVISORY COMMITTEE PASSED A PROPOSAL THAT UIL MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO HAVE A STANDARDIZED REGION/AREA/STATE CONTEST SCHEDULE MATRIX TO INCLUDE A 45-MINUTE WARM-UP PERIOD. A SAMPLE SCHEDULE TEMPLATE WILL BE PROVIDED TO HOSTS. YOU WOULD NEED 3 WARM-UP AREAS.

DATES FOR MARCHING EVENTS

- **OCTOBER 14 , 2023 (SATURDAY) – INCLEMENT WEATHER DATE WILL BE OCTOBER 15**
 - **(SCHEDULES WILL VARY DUE TO ECLIPSE)**
 - **SOUTH ZONE – SAN ANGELO ISD STADIUM (ALL 1A BANDS IN REGION 6 MUST ATTEND THIS ZONE)**
 - **WEST ZONE – RATLIFF STADIUM, ODESSA**
- **OCTOBER 16, 2022 (MONDAY) – INCLEMENT WEATHER DATE WILL BE OCTOBER 17**
 - **EAST ZONE – SHOTWELL STADIUM, ABILENE ISD**
- **OCTOBER 21, 2022 (SATURDAY) – INCLEMENT WEATHER DATE WILL BE OCTOBER 22**
 - **CLASS 2A – DICK BIVINS STADIUM, AMARILLO ISD**
 - **CLASS 4A – SHOTWELL STADIUM, ABILENE ISD**
 - **CLASS 6A – SOCORRO STADIUM, EL PASO**
- **OCTOBER 28, 2022 (SATURDAY) – INCLEMENT WEATHER DATE WILL BE OCTOBER 29**
 - **CLASS 3A – RATLIFF STADIUM, ODESSA**
 - **CLASS 5A (EAST ZONE) – LOWREY FIELD, LUBBOCK**

PARENT/STUDENT 8 HOUR RULE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT FORMS



- **MUST BE ON FILE**
- **MAINTAINED BY BAND DIRECTOR**
- **ONLY STUDENTS NEW TO THE PROGRAM EACH YEAR ARE REQUIRED TO FILL OUT THE FORM.**
- **THE FORM MAY BE FOUND AT: WWW.UILTEXAS.ORG/MUSIC/MARCHING-BAND**

SAFETY TRAINING FOR ALL MARCHING BAND DIRECTORS



- **THIS IS STATE LAW (TAC), NOT A UIL RULE**
- **THIS INCLUDES COLOR GUARD INSTRUCTORS, NON-SCHOOL PERSONNEL WHO ARE WORKING WITH THE GROUPS, ANY TECHNICAL ASSISTANTS, ETC.**
- **TRAINING VIDEO IS AVAILABLE AT:**

WWW.UILTEXAS.ORG/MUSIC/MARCHING-BAND

RULES FOR DISTRICTS WHO START EARLY

- **C&CR SECTION 1105(E): EFFECTIVE THE FOURTH MONDAY IN AUGUST A MARCHING BAND AND ITS AUXILIARY COMPONENTS ARE LIMITED TO A MAXIMUM OF 8 HOURS OF REHEARSAL OUTSIDE THE ACADEMIC SCHOOL DAY PER CALENDAR WEEK. EXCEPTION: FOR SCHOOLS THAT BEGIN INSTRUCTION PRIOR TO THE FOURTH MONDAY IN AUGUST, THE LIMIT OF 8 HOURS OF REHEARSAL OUTSIDE OF THE ACADEMIC SCHOOL DAY PER CALENDAR WEEK SHALL BEGIN ON THE TUESDAY IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING LABOR DAY. (DURING THIS TIME, THESE SCHOOLS CAN REHEARSE AS MUCH ON WEEKENDS AS THE LOCAL DISTRICT ALLOWS)**
- **SCHOOLS UNDER THIS EXCEPTION SHALL BE LIMITED TO EIGHT HOURS OF REHEARSAL OUTSIDE OF THE ACADEMIC DAY PER SCHOOL WEEK UNTIL THE TUESDAY IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING LABOR DAY.**
- **[HTTPS://WWW.UILTEXAS.ORG/FILES/MUSIC/CCR_SECTION_1105\(E\).PDF](https://www.uilTEXAS.org/files/music/CCR_SECTION_1105(E).PDF)**

1A BAND RULE FOR ADVANCEMENT TO STATE

- **ALL 1A BANDS MUST ATTEND THE SAME ZONE AT THE REGION LEVEL**
- **SEE LINK FOR RULES DEFINING THE NUMBER OF 1A BANDS THAT WILL ADVANCE TO STATE**
- **SECTION 1105(K)**

[HTTPS://WWW.UILTEXAS.ORG/POLICY/CONSTITUTION/MUSIC/REGION-MARCHING-BAND](https://www.uilTEXAS.org/policy/constitution/music/region-marching-band)

AREA/STATE MARCHING

- ✧ **1A-6A WILL PARTICIPATE IN AREA AND/OR STATE EVENTS IN 2023**
- ✧ **SHOULD 30 OR MORE BANDS QUALIFY FOR AN AREA CONTEST, THE TOP 12 BANDS WILL ADVANCE TO FINALS**
- ✧ **ELECTRONICS MAY BE USED WITHIN THE UIL RULE STRUCTURE AT YOUR OWN RISK. THERE WILL BE NO DELAYED STARTS TO PERFORMANCES, PAUSED PERFORMANCES OR REPEATS OF PERFORMANCES DUE TO AN ELECTRONIC OR ELECTRICAL MALFUNCTION OF ANY KIND. THIS INCLUDES MALFUNCTION RELATED TO THE STADIUM ELECTRONICS; NOR MAY AN APPEAL BE SUBMITTED DUE TO AN ELECTRONICS MALFUNCTION.**

STATE MARCHING DATES

- **2A-4A-6A OCTOBER 30-31 & NOVEMBER 1 ALAMODOME, SAN ANTONIO**
- **1A-3A-5A NOVEMBER 6-8 ALAMODOME, SAN ANTONIO**

[HTTPS://WWW.UILTEXAS.ORG/MUSIC/MARCHING-BAND/STATE](https://www.uilTEXAS.org/music/marching-band/state)

MARCHING VIDEOS



- **A SPACE WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE FOR ALL SCHOOLS TO MAKE AN EDUCATIONAL USE VIDEO OF THEIR PERFORMANCE AT BOTH THE REGION AND AREA MARCHING EVENTS.**
- **EACH INDIVIDUAL SCHOOL IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS VIDEO.**
- **AN EDUCATIONAL USE AGREEMENT MUST BE COMPLETED**
[HTTPS://WWW.UILTEXAS.ORG/MACHFORM/VIEW.PHP?ID=388](https://www.uilTEXAS.org/machform/view.php?id=388)

MARCHING BAND ENTRIES



ALL ENTRIES MADE AT [HTTPS://WWW.TEXASMUSICFORMS.COM/LOGIN.ASP](https://www.texasmusicforms.com/login.asp)

- **STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE – DUE WITH ENTRY – USE ONLY THE FORM FOUND ON THE REGION 6 WEBSITE. SECTION 1105 C&CR**
- **ANNOUNCER SCRIPT**
- **MARCHING CONTEST ENTRY: REQUIRES THAT AN INTENT TO ADVANCE BE DECLARED; AND, ON ELIGIBLE YEARS REQUIRES SCHOOLS DECLARING THE INTENT TO ADVANCE CHOOSE A TRACK: MILITARY CLASS OR OPEN CLASS.**
- **ENTRY FEE CHECK DUE AT THE CONTEST ALONG WITH FORM 1**

AREA FINALS



- **FINALS RESULTS WILL BE ANNOUNCED IN REVERSE ORDER**
 - **“IN 10TH PLACE,” “IN 9TH PLACE.....,” ETC.**
 - **“IN 4TH PLACE AND ADVANCING TO THE STATE MARCHING CONTEST.....,” ETC.**
- **A “FULL RETREAT” MAY NOW BE HELD AFTER AREA FINALS**

MARCHING BAND PHYSICALS



- **MARCHING BAND PHYSICALS (REQUIRED EVERY OTHER YEAR)**
 - **REQUIRED PRIOR TO PARTICIPATION IN THE ACTIVITY**
 - **ALL STUDENTS MUST COMPLETE A HEALTH SUMMARY FORM**
 - **STUDENTS WITH ISSUES ON THE HEALTH SUMMARY FORM MAY BE REQUIRED TO HAVE A NEW PHYSICAL (HEART ISSUES, ETC.)**

CRITIQUE SHEETS & COMPETITION SUITE



- **REMEMBER THAT THE NEW REGION, AREA, AND STATE ADJUDICATION SHEETS WILL BE USED AT MARCHING EVENTS THIS FALL**
- **REGION, AREA, & STATE EVENTS WILL USE COMPETITION SUITE**
- **FAMILIARIZE YOURSELF WITH THE ADJUDICATION PROCESS**

QUESTIONS?



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