Region VI UIL Marching Contest

Saturday, October 20, 2018

LOCATION: Ratliff Stadium; Odessa, Texas

BUS PARKING: Important change for this year. Buses and equipment trucks will be parked in the WEST parking lot. Please have buses enter through the NORTH gate off of Charles Walker. Charles Walker is off of Grandview. Equipment trucks should enter through the south gate off of Yukon Rd. All spectator vehicles should enter through the east gate off of Grandview Rd and park on the east side of the stadium. Only vehicles with handicapped stickers and those with elderly patrons may park on the west side of the stadium. Please let your parents and fans know of this MAJOR CGANGE.

SEATING: Bands will sit in the EAST SIDE stands following their performance. Spectators will sit on the WEST SIDE.

**ADMISSION:** ***There will be an admission charge of $5.00 for all spectators six and older.. After your performance, you may sit on the east or west side stands. If you choose to sit on the west side, you will need to be in uniform (or matching shirts) and must stay together as a group in the bleachers outside the 25 yard line. Students must be supervised at all times.***

LOST AND FOUND: Located in the Ticket Office.

RATINGS: Ratings will be announced as soon as possible after the end of each class. Criticism sheets and awards may be picked up in the Press Box following the announcement of the ratings.

ARRIVAL TIME: Bands should be in the stadium area at least one hour prior to their scheduled performance time. Guides will assist you when you arrive and someone will take your ANNOUNCEMENT FORM, FORM 1 and your UIL CONTEST SCRIPT. Inform your parents that if an earlier band has bus trouble and arrives late, you may be moved ahead in the schedule.

WARM-UP: When you arrive, you will be escorted to one of four warm-up areas on the west side of the stadium. We will operate the contest without a flag system. Please have your band face west (towards the houses when playing). Front Ensemble (Pit) will have an area to warm-up as well. Also, the use of any kind of voice amplification equipment is not allowed in the warm-up areas.

CONTEST OFFICE: Located in the Press Box. No directors will be allowed in the Press Box until after their class is complete and the results have been announced.

ASSEMBLY AREA: Bands will assemble in the back of the WEST parking lot. All bands will enter through the Northwest gate and exit through the Southeast gate.

READY AREA: *A guide will instruct you when to move to the ready area. This area is on the track in the north end of the stadium.* ***YOU MAY NOT BEGIN MOVING FROM THE READY AREA UNTIL IT IS ANNOUNCED THAT YOUR BAND HAS FIVE MINUTES TO PREPARE.*** *Your pit equipment must also remain in the pit ready area until the announcement. Your group will be officially introduced with 45 seconds left in you five minutes, and the 8:00 clock will start at the end of your five minutes. This is very important to keep the contest running on schedule. PLEASE REFER TO THE OFFICIAL TIMING THAT IS OUTLINED IN THE REGION MARCHING SECTION OF THE REGION 6 WEBSITE (*[*www.uilmusicregion6.com*](http://www.uilmusicregion6.com)*) ANY BAND, WHO FAILS TO FOLLOW THE LOCAL GROUNDRULES OF THE CONTEST MAY BE DISQUALIFIED. (C&CR Section 1105, f-5)*

PIT READY AREA: Located on the Southwest side of the stadium. (THIS IS AT THE END WITH THE AMBULANCE RAMP.) A guide will instruct you when to move to the pit ready area. Please cooperate and move when told to do so. Any band that fails to follow the local ground rules of the contest may be disqualified. (C&CR Section 1105, Subsection 5)

**VIDEO TAPING: Mr. Nail sent out information regarding the new UIL rules regarding making videos of your bands performance. You are welcome to provide ONE parent or representative to come to the P2 level of the Press Box to record your own bands performance. They will be allowed to set up their equipment to record during the band immediately preceding your group, but must leave the Press Box as soon as your group has finished. YOU MUST MUST HAVE FILLED OUT THE ONLINE FORM AND SUBMITTED IT TO UIL CONCERNING COPYRIGHT CLEARANCE. NO VIDEOS MAY BE RECORDED AND REPLICATED FOR SALE AFTER THE EVENT, AND NO RECORDINGS SHOULD BE POSTED TO ONLINE PLATFORMS. You will receive a PRESS BOX pass to print and provide to your video person that will allow them access to the Press Box and the video area. Mr. Nail will have a list of those schools who have submitted their forms and only those schools will be allowed access to the Press Box video rooms, regardless of whether they have the pass.**

TWIRLING: The twirling contest will be located at the Northeast end of the stadium. Twirling times are approximate. All students who show up early will be allowed to perform early only if time permits.

AT NO TIME, OTHER THAN THE ACTUAL MARCHING PERFORMANCE, WILL BANDS BE ALLOWED ON THE MARCHING FIELD OR THE TRACK AREA.

If I can be of assistance to you, please contact me on my cell phone, 806-470-1051. You may also contact me via email @ john.mayo@ectorcountyisd.org.

***NO BALLOONS***

***Please remember that UIL rules prohibit balloons at any UIL event. Make sure that your parents and other supporters are aware of this policy.***

Ready area is on the track at this end of the field.



Front Ensemble/Props Enter through this gate.

Bands enter through this gate.

Bands exit through the stairs located at the end of the stadium on this side of the field.



Buses Enter through NORTH gate.



Warm-up Area A

Trucks enter through the South gate off of Yukon Rd.

Spectator Parking. All cars should enter through the East Gate off of Grandview. Spectators will need to walk around the north side of the stadium to enter on the West side. The ticket booth is only on the West side.

Equipment Truck parking

Handicapped and Elderly Parking

Bus Parking

Please follow parking guides upon entering the lot.

Check In Tent

Warm-up Area B

Warm-up Area C

Warm-up Area D