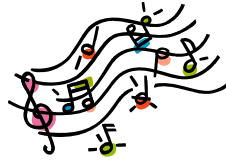


The Fourth Annual Arapahoe Invitational Marching Band Festival



Sanctioned by the Colorado Bandmasters Association

Saturday, October 10, 2009

**Littleton Public Schools Stadium
(Metro Denver Qualifying Site)
Prelims/Finals Format**

**1A, 2A, 3A Prelims Champions—
Automatic Placement in Finals**

National Caliber Judges

**Unique Award Format
First, Second and Third Place Awards
High Music, High Effect, High Visual
and
Most Improved Band Awards
For Each Class**



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Policies and Procedures

*This contest is sanctioned by the Colorado Bandmasters Association.
Please refer to all CBA rules as posted on the CBA Website:*

<http://web.mac.com/manzcow/iWeb/CBA%20Marching%20Affairs/CBA%20Marching%20Affairs.html>

Eligibility

The competition is open to all high schools. CBA rules of eligibility will apply. All CBA classes of bands will be accepted.

Judges

Seven judges will be selected based upon experience and integrity. Four or more of the judges will be people who have significant experience at the national level.

Entrance Fees

Each band will pay \$300 to participate. Payment must accompany the entrance form. All checks must be made payable to "Arapahoe Band Boosters." Entries will be accepted in postmark date order until the festival is full. Last year's placement in our festival, and postmark of your registration if you did not participate last year, will determine performance time. In addition, we may make selected schedule adjustments to accommodate long-distance travel requirements. The contest will be limited to no more than thirty (30) bands. Applications received after the contest is full will be placed on a "wait list" and notified of their placement on a regular basis. A completed application with signatures and check must be mailed to secure placement of the band. The official application is attached with mailing address.

Entrance fees must be received by **October 1, 2009**. Refunds will not be given for withdrawn bands. If a band cannot be placed for competition from the wait list, a full refund will be given.

Tickets/Passes

Ticket prices will be as follows:

*Prelims: Adults-\$12, Students-\$7
Finals: Adults-\$12, Students-\$7
Combo: Adults-\$20, Students-\$12
Children under 5 are admitted free.*

Tickets will be available at the gate on the competition date. Pit personnel will be allowed to enter and exit the field with their band at no charge. CBA staff passes will be honored.

Contest Format

Minimum performance time for each class is as follows:

1A	5 minutes
2A	6 minutes
3A-5A	7 minutes

A Prelims/Finals format will be used. Bands will perform in reverse order of their entrance fee/postmark, in combination with last year's placement for the preliminary competition. *Fourteen* bands will be selected for Finals. Finalist performance times will be determined by three drawings. The top four bands, according to judges' aggregate scores, will be placed in the final four performance times based on one draw. The next four bands, according to judges' aggregate scores, will be placed in the fourth through eighth performance times, according to a second draw. The next three bands, according to judges' aggregate scores, will be placed in the ninth through eleventh performance times, according to a third draw. The 1A, 2A, and 3A class champions will automatically be placed in the first three finalist slots, unless their scores warrant a different placement. Finalist performance times will be announced, and will be posted, upon completion, at the main stadium gate.

Schedule

Bands will be scheduled in fifteen (15) minute intervals, with appropriate breaks for the judges. Equipment movement on and off the field will be included in the fifteen (15) minute time allowance. All CBA timing rules will be in effect.

DVD

Each band will receive a DVD of their performance. Finalist bands will receive a second DVD of their finals performance.

Check In and Field Access

Check in will be at prelim arrival only at a location to be announced. Field access and parking will be determined at a later time.

Copyrights

CBA guidelines for copyright must be followed. Copyright laws are the responsibility of each performing band. All bands must submit to CBA by September 15, 2009 a copyright report of its music to be performed. We will receive notice of your submission from CBA.

Spiels

Spiels must be received by October 1, 2009.

Awards

The festival will employ a unique award format. Awards will be given as follows:

Prelims Awards

First, Second and Third Place in each Class
(Based on Judges' overall aggregate scoring)

Most Improved Band Award in each Class
(Only bands which performed in last year's contest will be eligible.
The band in each class who had the biggest improvement in total score
over last year's prelims will receive this award. If only one band
returns from the previous year, no award will be given).

High Music, High Visual, and High Effect Awards in each Class
(Based on Judges' overall aggregate scoring)

Finals Awards (All bands compete in one open class)

First, Second and Third Place
(Based on Judges' overall aggregate scoring)

High Music
(Based on Aggregate Scoring by Music Judges)

High Visual
(Based on Aggregate Scoring by Visual Judges)

High Effect
(Based on Aggregate Scoring by General Effect Judges)

Miscellaneous

Power will be provided at the fifty (50) yard line.

No dressing facilities will be provided.

Concessions will be provided.

Littleton Schools Stadium is a regulation-sized football stadium. Numbered markers will be placed every ten (10) yards. Boundary line violations and dropped equipment violations will be according to CBA rules.

Arapahoe Band Boosters
Tom Haller, Festival Chair
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303-770-5836

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*****Official Application*****

Please print or type.

Checks should be made payable to Arapahoe Band Boosters.

MAIL COMPLETED APPLICATION WITH CHECK TO:

ARAPAHOE BAND BOOSTERS

c/o Tom Haller, Festival Chair

8115 So. Glencoe Ct.

Centennial, CO 80122

Name of School _____

Address _____

City _____ Zip _____

Band Director _____

School Phone Number _____ Cell Number _____

E-Mail Address _____ Fax Number _____

CBA Class _____ Number of Busses _____

Number of Other Required Vehicles (Trucks, Etc.) _____

Number of Band Members _____ Number of Staff Members _____

Booster Contact Name _____

Booster Contact Phone _____ Email _____

Entry Fee: **\$300** (includes DVD of performance(s))

We agree to provide CBA with written releases to perform copyrighted music, visual programs, and/or make special musical arrangements from the owners of the performance rights. We also understand that bands unable to provide such releases will not be permitted to perform.

Band Director's Signature _____ Date _____

Signature required. Application and payment must be postmarked by September 16, 2009.

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Please return this form with your application and check.

ANNOUNCER'S FORM

Joining us from _____
(City)

Please welcome the _____
(Name of Your Band)

_____ 's Show is Titled
(Name of Your Band)

Musical Selections include the following:

(Musical Selections from Your Program)

The Colorado Bandmaster's Association is proud to present in their Arapahoe Marching
Invitational Performance, Drum Major(s) _____
(Drum Major(s) Names)

and the _____ High School _____
(Name of High School) (Band Nickname)

Marching Band !!

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EXITING ANNOUNCER'S FORM

The _____ High School Marching Band!
(Name of Your Band)

The _____ Band under the Direction of
(Name of Your Band)

_____ with assistance from
(Band Director's Name)

(Names of Assisting Directors, etc.)

The _____ Band has _____
(Name of Your Band)

(Description of Awards and Accomplishments, or send Word file)

Ladies and Gentlemen, the _____ !!
(Name of Your Band)