

RULES AND REGULATIONS

FIELD SHOW

Classification

Field Show Bands will be classified according to the number of playing members including percussion.

Field Show

Middle School

Class AAA High School
82 or more playing members

Class AA High School
57-81 playing members

Class A High School
56 or less playing member

Bands are permitted to move from their qualifying class to a class with higher enrollment but never to a class with lower enrollment.

Adjudication

The competitive field will be a regulation size football field, 160 feet wide by 300 feet long, with boundaries, yard lines, and hash marks clearly designated.

Adjudicators will evaluate each band's performance for marching, music, and general effect. Auxiliary units will be judged separately and as part of the band's overall performance.

50 Points – Music Performance
20 Points – Marching and Maneuvering
30 Points – General Effect

General Information

Field entrance and exit may be made from any point on or off the field. The band proper and band front units are permitted to stage on the field. Conclusion of the performance may be made at any point on or off the field and exit may be over any boundary line.

Entry Procedure: The band will enter the field to the cadence of the exiting band.

A one (1) minute warm-up will be permitted from the starting position prior to the start of the performance.

After the warm-up, the drum major must wait for announcements as follows:

Announcer Are the judges ready?

Announcer Is the band ready?

Drum Major (Salute to reviewing stands)

Announcer ___ ___ (School) ___, you may enter the field in competition.

Drum Major (Start performance)

The full presentation should be a minimum of seven (7) minutes and a maximum of twelve (12) minutes in length. There will be a one (1) minute warm-up permitted from the show's starting to the performance.

There is no boundary penalty and no time in motion requirement.

Exit Procedure: The band will exit the field to its own cadence. Cadence will stop when the last member crosses the sideline or goal line.

The unit is encouraged to contain its performance to the confines of the competition area. There are absolutely no penalties or adverse opinions from the judges for violating the boundaries of the field.

If a fall should occur, the member may return to an upright position and resume marching without penalty. Dropped equipment will not be penalized but may effect the General Effect of the performance.

Units will not be permitted to troop the stands following their performance.

The use of mechanized vehicles, animals, and pyrotechnics of any type including fireworks, fire batons, discharge of arms, or any hazardous material shall not be permitted.

Use of the National Colors is optional, but if used it must always be guarded by a rifle, sabre, or sidearm within three paces of the flag. The guard may be positioned anywhere within a 360 degree radius. There will be no trailing violations. The National Colors snail never be dipped in any direction or to any person; shall never be permitted to touch the ground; and its bearer shall not engage in back steps, side steps, dance steps, etc.

If fewer than 3 bands are entered in the Field Show event, we reserve the right to designate the event Field Show Review and rules and procedures for Field Show Review will apply.

There are NO clinics provided for the Field Show category.

Awards

Units may enter for rating only or competition.

Rating Only. Adjudication form, taped comments, rating of Superior, Excellent, or Good with appropriate trophy.

Competition. Adjudication form, taped comments, rating, and placement of first through fifth place or participation in each class with appropriate trophy. An Overall Grand Championship Trophy will be presented to the highest scoring Field Show Band regardless of class.

Additional awards include:

Outstanding Drum Major
Outstanding Majorette/Pom Pon Squad
Outstanding Auxiliary
Outstanding Drum Line