

UNIVERSITY INTERSCHOLASTIC LEAGUE MUSIC REGION 8

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TO: Band Directors UIL Music Region 8

SUBJECT: Marching and Twirling Contests

Twirling Contest, September 23, 2023-Fairfield High School, Chair Russell Holland

ENTRY DEADLINE: September 11, 2023

TWIRLING CONTEST FEES:

\$15.00 each solo

\$15.00 each member of an ensemble

TWIRLING ENTRIES MUST BE DONE ONLINE at *texasmusicforms.com*.

The only thing you will need to **mail** is your **SCHOOL CHECK** for your entry fees with a copy of the Fee Tabulation Form (be sure it is the 2023-2024 form) from the Region 8 website or the Form 1A page produced when you submit your entries. Make checks payable to:

UIL Music Region 8.

Again, please **mail** you check rather than bringing it to the contest.

MARCHING CONTESTS:

4A-5A-6A Marching Contest, October 14, 2023, Midway High School

ENTRY DEADLINE: September 14, 2023 (Inclement weather date, October 16)

Contest Chair, Pam Hyatt

1A-3A Marching Contest, October 18, 2023, Troy High School

ENTRY DEADLINE: September 18, 2023 (Inclement weather date, October 17)

Contest Chair, Rustin Honeycutt

2A Marching Contest, October 18, 2023, La Vega High School

ENTRY DEADLINE: September 18, 2023 (Inclement weather date, October 17)

Chairman, Nathaniel Tubbs

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Texas Music Forms requires that an intent to advance be declared for area and state contests. Directors must declare military or open class for advancement. Area contests will be held for all conferences in open class. Note: no band may participate in both the military and open class state contest in the same year. Any band declaring military track may not participate in the area contest.

The following forms must still be completed and on file at the contest office prior to your performance:

_____A certified copy of Organization Roster, **Form No. 1** - signed by the school principal or superintendent, listing in alphabetical order all students eligible the day of the contest, must be on file with the Contest Chairman prior to the time of each organization's contest performance. Please print the **Form 1 cover page** from the website and attach your alphabetical roster to it.

_____STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE FORM - dated and signed by the director. The form states, "The members of this marching band or any of its components did not begin the marching preparation for this UIL contest presentation prior to August 1. In addition, no more than ten hours of supervised instructional time was devoted to marching fundamentals between the end of the previous school term and August 1."

_____ANNOUNCER'S SCRIPT - should be sent with the entry forms or brought to the contest office prior to performance.

_____TEA CODE – When you log in to process your entry you will be asked for your school's TEA Code. To find your code, go to the TEA website (tea.texas.gov) and type SDL in their search engine, then click on "Find a School." From there you should be able to find your school.

A school check for your entry fees should be MAILED to the Executive Secretary no later than 7 days prior to the contest. No purchase orders or personal checks will be accepted. **MARCHING CONTEST ENTRY FEE FOR ALL CLASSIFICATIONS IS \$360.** (This includes state and region fees.) **MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: UIL MUSIC REGION 8.**

PLEASE MAIL YOUR ENTRY FEE. DO NOT BRING IT WITH YOU TO CONTEST!

Please mail a copy of the **Entry Fee Invoice 1A** from Texas Music Forms or print, fill out and mail a copy of the **Fee Tabulation Form** (be sure it is the 2023-2024 form) with your check. The Fee Tabulation Form is found on the UIL Region 8 homepage.

Additional forms that should be on file at your school prior to your band's contest performance are:

The **PARENT/STUDENT UIL MARCHING BAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT FORM** must be on file **at your school** prior to your performance. Do not mail it to the Executive Secretary. The form is available on the state UIL web page for you to download and copy for your students and parents. This form is to be filled out only one time in the student's career.

The **MARCHING BAND PRE-PARTICIPATION PHYSICAL EXAMINATION** must be given upon entering the first and third years of high school and upon any 7th or 8th grade student participating in marching band by qualified personnel listed in the UIL Constitution and Contest Rules. Standardized pre-participation physical examination forms are available on the state UIL webpage.

AS PART OF HOUSE BILL 82 it is now state law that all persons working with any element of marching band have **SAFETY TRAINING**. The UIL has developed an online program for this purpose. This training program is available on the music homepage at the State UIL webpage. Complete the program then print the certificate at the end of the program and keep it on file.

THIS TRAINING MUST BE DONE EVERY YEAR.

MARCHING BAND VIDEOS: Schools wishing to video their band's UIL performances must complete the Educational Use Agreement located on the state UIL webpage or on the Region 8 website. A designated area near the press box at each contest will be provided for this purpose.

NEW ADJUDICATION SHEETS: These sheets will have the marching band rubric on the back of the form. Competition Suite will be used at all three of our Region 8 Marching Contests for judges' recorded comments.

2023-2024 C&CR REMINDER FOR MARCHING BAND:

Section 1105 (h)(5)(B): A non-student may intervene during the 8-minute performance clock to address an **electronics failure**. The school must immediately supply the contest chair with a written justification for doing so. If the RES and contest chair determine that the justification does not support the action, the REC may proceed with consideration of penalty.

Reminder: Participating directors and contest workers are the only people who will be allowed in the press box or contest office.

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