

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 21, 2024-Fairfield High School, Chair Russell Holland**

ENTRY DEADLINE: September 11, 2024

**TWIRLING CONTEST FEES:**

\$15.00 each solo

\$15.00 each member of an ensemble

**TWIRLING ENTRIES MUST BE DONE ONLINE at [texasmusicforms.com](http://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 2024-2025 form) from the Region 8 website or the Form 1A page on Texas Music Forms. Make checks payable to:

***UIL Music Region 8.***

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

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**MARCHING CONTESTS:**

**1A-3A Marching Contest, October 16, 2024, Troy High School**

ENTRY DEADLINE: September 17, 2024 (Inclement weather date, October 17)

**Contest Chair, Rustin Honeycutt**

**4A-5A-6A Marching Contest, October 19, 2024, Midway High School**

ENTRY DEADLINE: September 10, 2024 (Inclement weather date, October 21)

**Contest Chair, Pam Hyatt**

## **2A Marching Contest, October 23, 2024, Riesel High School**

ENTRY DEADLINE: September 24, 2024 (Inclement weather date, October 26)

**Chairman, Crystal Senzig**

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

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 and school principal. The form states:

A. 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 fifteen hours of supervised instructional time was devoted to marching fundamentals between the end of the previous school term and August 1.

B. A signed parent/student UIL Marching Band Acknowledgement Form has been filed with the school principal or his designee for each participant in this competing organization.

C. The director(s) of this organization recognize(s) the importance of the total educational process and have remained sensitive to each student's needs in terms of academic pursuits, family life and extracurricular activities; and,

D. The director(s) of this organization haven/has maintained a reasonable and prope balance of pre-school and out-of-school rehearsal schedules.

\_\_\_\_\_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](http://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 \$370.** (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 2024-2025 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 7<sup>th</sup> or 8<sup>th</sup> 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.

**2024-2025 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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