

2025 Concho Classic Marching Festival Contest Information



- ❖ Bus parking and equipment truck/trailer will be on the visitor's side of the stadium. Please enter from Knickerbocker Rd. A parking lot guide will be there to assist your parking. Personal vehicles are NOT allowed to park in the parking lot with the buses. This is for the safety of the students walking through the parking lot and warm up areas.
- ❖ Upon arrival, please send one director to the check-in area to turn in forms/checks, pick up wristbands, and receive any other contest day info.
- ❖ Please arrive in time to unload, restroom and change in order to be at your warm-up area in time for your scheduled warm up.
- ❖ Warm Up Procedures – Each group will have 45 minutes in the warm up area. There will NOT be a flag system as there has been in the past. It is extremely important that you are facing away from the stadium at all times during warm up as a courtesy to those bands performing. You will be asked to leave the warm up area at the time notated on the schedule. Please make sure you are ready to move as the next band warming up will be moving in. No playing is allowed in the parking lot outside of the warm up areas.
- ❖ If needed (not required), front ensembles will be able to warm up inside the fenced area near the ramp. Those areas will be clearly marked.
- ❖ Bands are not required to use their entire 45 minute allotted time for warm up. The time designated "leave w-up" on the schedule is when you will be required to be out of the warm up area, moving toward the stadium.
- ❖ Restrooms will be open on the visitor's side of the stadium for band use. Students should refrain from walking in the middle walkway on the visitors side. Bathroom access is up the ramps on the side.

- ❖ Bands will enter and exit the field from the south side ramp next to the field house near Gate 3. A water station will be available for bands AFTER their performance. If you need water during your allotted warm up times, you must provide your own.
- ❖ Timing will follow UIL timing procedure with five minutes for set up, five to eight minutes for performance, and two minutes to clear the performance area.
- ❖ There is power at field level. Please bring all necessary equipment needed to plug in your sound systems.
- ❖ Entrance is \$10 and ages 6 and under are free. Spectators must enter through Gate 1, not the band entrances. All parents and group supporters must pay an entrance fee. Bus chaperones, bus drivers, directors, and videographers will receive a wristband when you arrive. School administrators will be admitted with proper school identification. No other district/athletic/UIL passes will be accepted. Football teams in jerseys will also be admitted for free.
- ❖ All students, directors, and chaperones should re-enter on the visitors side, south gate (Gate 3). This will allow students to return to the home side for concessions, souvenirs, and watch other bands. No access to the home side will be allowed on the ramp or track.
- ❖ Gate 4, the southwest entrance will be closed and not open for use. Please advise students, staff, parents, and chaperones that there is no access to the parking lot from this end of the stadium. Only bands entering and exiting performance should be on the track.
- ❖ Concessions will be offered throughout the day. No meal deals are being offered through the booster club this year.
- ❖ There will be an awards ceremony at the completion of the contest. It will include a drum major retreat. All Drum Majors will need to report to the south end of the stadium during the Central High School Band exhibition performance. If your band will be leaving, please have one representative from your school remain to collect any trophies that may be received.
- ❖ Judge comments will be shared with you via Competition Suite following your performance. All awards will be given at the Awards ceremony. There is no need

to come to the press box after your performance. If you are not staying for the awards ceremony, any awards will be delivered to you.

- ❖ A video will be made of your performance, accessible via CompSuite (Do not distribute, as this is only for educational purposes only. You will be allowed to send one representative from your school to the press box to make a video if desired.