Berkmar Marching Invitational
November 7th , 2026

Dear Colleague:

I would like to invite you and your band to participate in the 9th Annual Berkmar Marching Invitational. We promise to provide the best facilities for your band's performance and strive to be an educational and positive experience for one and all. We believe that all bands, regardless of size or marching style can perform at the highest level.

Please find enclosed an information sheet and application to this year's event. We hope that you find our competition convenient for your group's needs and we would love to have you participate in this year's Invitational.

All applications carry a postmark deadline of October 24th, 2026. Any entries postmarked after October 24th, 2026, will be accepted as a late registration and may be subject to a late fee of $25.00. Please note you will need 2 separate checks to cover your registration fee and your performance bond. The first four bands in each class to register will be guaranteed a slot in the competition. All others will be on a first come first serve basis.

Registration Fee: $100.00

Performance Bond Fee: $500.00 for Georgia Bands $250.00 for non GA bands (Refundable upon arrival)

Please make all checks payable to **Berkmar Band Boosters Inc.**
405 Pleasant Hill Rd.
Lilburn, GA 30047

Date: Saturday November 7th, 2026

Place: Berkmar High School Stadium
405 Pleasant Hill Rd.
Lilburn, GA 30047

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Director of Bands Dr. Arthur Wright at 706-993-5274 or by email at arthur.wright@gcpsk12.org . Registration will be available via the band website www.berkmarbands.org

We look forward to your acceptance of our invitation to join us on November 7th, 2026.

Sincerely,

Dr. Arthur Wright, III
Director of Bands

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Facilities: Free parking and a Hospitality Room for Directors and Staff

Concessions: A full line of hot foods, snacks, and drinks will be available. In addition, you may make arrangements for a special meal package in advance for your band. Please contact the Berkmar Band Boosters at berkmarbands01@gmail.com for more info and ordering.

Admission: ONE chaperone will be admitted for every TEN students.
Bus and equipment vehicle drivers will also be admitted.
Staff members will be admitted for free.

Tickets will be $15.00 in advance, $20.00 at the door.

Bands will be allowed a total of 15 minutes of field time (including entrance, performance and exit). Each band will be allowed 30 minutes in the warm up area.

Scoring and Adjudication: We will utilize the GMEA Olympic Style judging format. The judging panel will be made up of 5 Band Judges adjudicating the categories of Music and Visual Effect. The lowest score of the 2 judges will be dropped. In addition, there will be one judge each for Drum Major, Percussion, Color Guard, and Dance/Majorettes.

Awards: First, second and third place trophies will be given in each class. Trophies will also be awarded to those bands with overall Superior and Excellent ratings. Bands can elect to go for ratings only or comments only. There will be an award for highest scoring Percussion, Color Guard, Dance, and Drum Major regardless of class. A Grand Champion award will be given to a Corps Style and Traditional style band with the highest total band score regardless of classification.

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REGISTRATION FORM

School_____ Band Name_____
Band Director_____ High School Principal_____
Address_____
Director Cell_____Email_____
Assistant Director(s)_____
Parent/Booster Club Contact_____
Cell_____Email_____
Number of Wind Players_____ Total Number of Band Members_____
We have (please check all that apply) __Colorguard ___Majorettes____Dance Line
Number of Winds ___1A (1-24)___2A (25-49) ___3A(50-74) ___4A (75-100) ___5A (100+)
Corps Style___ Traditional Style___
Drum Major(s)_____
Band Captain(s)_____
Musical
Selections_____
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Number of Buses_____ Number of Equipment Vehicles_____
Number of Chaperones_____(1 per 10 students mandatory)Equipment Handlers_____
Number of Stadium seats for Band_____ Number of Stadium seats for Chaperones_____
School Colors_____ School Mascot_____

Registration Fee $100.00 Performance Bond $500.00

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Band Director Signature High School Principal Signature

Deadline is **October 24th, 2026**. Registration form, fee check and bond check must be postmarked no later than October 24th, 2026. Make checks payable to **Berkmar Band Boosters**.

Mail to:
Berkmar High School
C/O: Berkmar Marching Invitational
405 Pleasant Hill Rd.
Lilburn, GA 30047

For more information about BMI go to our website at www.berkmarbands.org

For Official Use Only: Date Rec'd _____ Signatures_____
Registration Fee Check Number_____ Performance Bond Check Number_____