

GRAND NATIONALS - INDIANAPOLIS

Tuesday, November 12th

4:00 PM Load Equipment Trucks

Load both equipment trucks. Semi #1 at Band Room. Semi #2 at Stadium. All instruments and equipment will be loaded at this time.

Wednesday, November 13th

6:00 AM Check In

All students arrive and check-in at this time.

Campus police recommends that you have someone bring you to the band room. If you have to leave your vehicle here, do not leave anything of value in your vehicle and give further cause for break in or theft.

Medicine Check In – Small Orchestra Room – M102. Luggage Check In – Buses 1-2 in M110, Buses 3-6 in M111.

Providence Working Canines may be present and conducting safety sweeps of all luggage, equipment trucks, and buses. Providence is often called upon to conduct a safety sweep of student's belongings prior to taking an overnight trip. This extra measure of Student Safety provides both Administration and Chaperones peace of mind.

All luggage must be marked with proper identification, including name & desired contact information. Once luggage is placed in band room, students will not be allowed to enter again until all safety sweeps are completed.

7:00 AM Load Buses

Load Luggage & Uniforms – One normal sized suitcase should include all the clothes you will need for Thursday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday as well as all the items needed for your show performance costume. All students are to take their white practice shirt, travel shirt, and show shirt on this trip. Students should check the forecast for Indianapolis in order to be prepared for the weather.

Uniforms are to be stored in the front bays of the bus, suitcases in the middle storage bays, and band parent supplies/instruments that do not go on the semi in the back bays of the bus.

Water Jugs – all students should bring their Trojan Pride Water Jugs filled to begin this trip. Opportunities to refill jugs will be made available throughout the trip.

7:30 AM Depart for Indianapolis

Lunch, driver switches, and designated stops with snacks en route.

8:30 PM Estimated Arrival in Indianapolis, Check in at Hotel

Crowne Plaza Indianapolis Airport 2501 S. High School Road Indianapolis, IN 46261 (317) 244-6861

10:00 PM Estimated Curfew, Students in Room

10:30 PM Lights Out, TV Off, No Video Games, Go to Sleep

Thursday, November 14th

7:00 AM Wake Up

7:30 AM Breakfast at Hotel

8:30 AM Depart for Lucas Oil Stadium

Students must take everything needed for the entire day, including the afternoon rehearsal. We will not return to the hotel until the end of the day

All students are required to wear travel shirt today. Travel shirts, shorts and/or sweats, and Tennis shoes (or marching shoes) needed for afternoon rehearsal. Students may wear jeans throughout the day except at rehearsal.

All equipment trucks may be left at hotel or parked at EZ parking lot with buses.

9:00 AM Arrive at Lucas Oil Stadium or Convention Center

500 S. Capitol Ave 100 S. Capitol Ave. Indianapolis, IN 46225 (317) 262-3400

Determine and Designate drop off and pick up area for buses Determine place for group to sit together and watch bands.

Watch Bands – only chance to see and hear what Lucas Oil Stadium is like before we perform.

11:30 AM Load Buses

11:45 AM Depart for Lunch

12:00 PM Lunch and Talk Time

McGowan Hall 1305 North Delaware Street Indianapolis, IN 46202 1:45 PM Load Buses

2:00 PM Depart for Carmel Dad's Club Sports Complex

2:45 PM Arrive at Carmel Dad's Club Sports Complex

5459 East Main Street Carmel, IN 46033

(Have building reserved for 3 hours - 30 minute set up, 2 hour rehearsal,

30 minute break down).

Begin assembling props for rehearsal.

Unload instruments and equipment off semi and box trucks.

Prep time for field. Tape hashes and number locations on practice field.

3:00 PM Afternoon Rehearsal

Mark the three sets of hashes and NFL numbers for practice.

6:00 PM End of Rehearsal

Disassembly of props. Load equipment trucks.

Load buses.

7:00 PM Depart for Dinner

7:30 PM Dinner & Talk Time

McGowan Hall

Talk through the Friday morning routine with students.

9:00 PM Load Buses

9:30 PM Arrive at Hotel

Various meetings with staff, drivers, and chaperones as necessary to

make sure everything is properly coordinated for the next day.

10:00 PM Estimated Curfew, Students in Room

10:30 PM Lights Out, TV Off, No Video Games, Go to Sleep

Imperative the students get good rest tonight. Big day tomorrow.

Friday, November 15th

6:00 AM Wake Up

6:45 AM Breakfast & Load Buses

Students given breakfast as they load the bus or eat breakfast at hotel

and then depart. Either way – imperative to depart at 7:00am

Students dressed in show performance costume. Show hair done.

No hanging bags.

7:00 AM Depart for Lucas Oil Stadium

500 S. Capitol Ave Indianapolis, IN 46225

7:45 AM All Vehicles Arrive at Competition Site Enter Lucas Oil Stadium South Parking Lot

Students that need to get equipment from trucks - go immediately to where they are parked.

We are restricted to the time scheduled. Delays in load/unloading times may result in penalties - we must be ready to move at the appropriate time.

8:25 AM In Fundamental Block Ready to Transit

8:35 AM Enter South West Tunnel & Missouri Street

Be advised - the ramp for the SW tunnel is VERY long and steep going down into the dome.

Front Ensemble Enters First, then Band, then Guard, then Props.

Props do not have to enter the same time as the rest of the group, but must enter soon enough to be there for report time and before the next band is scheduled to enter.

Can Missouri Street Dock Entrance for Props Maybe Front Ensemble Electronics – doubtful.

8:45 – 9:15 AM Front Ensemble Warm Up – Area B

Jam blocks or wood blocks are ARE allowed in the Pit Percussion Warm-Up Area. Metronomes, or megaphone amplification devices are not.

8:45 – 9:00 AM Physical Warm Up – Area B

This will be everyone except front ensemble. Jam blocks, metronomes, or megaphone amplification devices ARE NOT allowed in the Band Physical Warm-Up Area. Only clapping is allowed.

Be ready to concentrate in a very small area, and very loud area. Only a curtain separates the physical warm up area from the music warm up area. We will utilize a compact performance block. Tubas and Battery may not be able to dismount during this warm-up time due to small space.

9:00 - 9:30 AM Music Warm Up - Area B

Jam blocks or wood blocks are ARE allowed in this Area. Metronomes, or megaphone amplification devices are not.

There is no pause between physical warm up and music warm up. It is basically go on the other side of the curtain and get started.

There are two designated warm up areas for each band. The brass, woodwinds, and guard will use the large room (separated by the curtain) and the battery will use the optional warm up area located across the hall.

9:20 AM Front Ensemble & Prop Report Time

9:45 AM Prelim Performance

Remember - there are three sets of hash marks – HS, College, and NFL. <u>The HS are the outside hashes, Texas/College are the middle hashes – just like at home.</u> Inserts are with the NFL and high school hashes – not the college hashes. Numbers are in a different place on the field. Do not use them as a reference point.

No outside video or audio equipment is allowed in the stadium. Still camera photography may be used from stadium seating but not on the field - even by personnel with field passes. Tripods and other similar equipment are not allowed as they may obstruct the view or path of others.

10:00 AM Photo with Jolesch Photography

After performance, take group photo with Jolesch Photography. Need this to look professional. Picture will be used for years to come.

Return to Parking Lot. Load Semi, Box Truck, and Buses. All equipment must be loaded and band departing parking lot by 11:00 am.

11:00 AM Return to Hotel

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12:00 PM Arrive at Hotel

Box Lunch given to students. Hang up show performance costumes in rooms Downtime

1:45 PM Load Buses

Students wear white practice shirt for this rehearsal Drum Majors take uniform to practice

2:00 PM Depart for Afternoon Rehearsal

2:45 PM Arrive at Carmel Dad's Club Sports Complex

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6:00 PM End of Rehearsal

Disassembly of props. Load equipment trucks. Load buses. 7:00 PM Depart for Dinner

Drum Majors and Mr. Hillock go to Lucas Oil Stadium for Awards

Presentation. Have something to eat for them.

Rest of Band heads to McGowan Hall for Dinner and Watch Party.

7:30 PM Dinner & Watch Party

McGowan Hall

8:45 PM Load Buses

9:00 PM Depart for Hotel

9:30 PM Arrive at Hotel

Itinerary for Saturday's schedule will be set after the announcement of

semi-finalist bands and performance draws. Information will be

communicated through directors to chaperones and then to students. We

will plan for the worst scenario and hope for the best.

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Saturday, November 16th

Saturday's schedule is first contingent on the band making semifinals/finals and then contingent upon seeding and draw for placement.

Required Shirt for the day will be the pixelated show shir when/if not in uniform.

POTENTIAL REHEARSAL ON SATURDAY

Semi Finals General Schedule

6:30 AM Gates Open

7:00 AM Semi-Finals Competition Begins

4:45 PM End of Semi-Finals Competition

Early Semi Final Draw Possible Scenario

5:15 AM Wake Up 6:00 AM Depart

Breakfast on Bus.

6:30 AM Arrive at South Lot 7:20 PM Enter SW Tunnel

7:30 AM Warm Up 8:30 AM Performance

8:45 AM Return to Hotel

Store or load equipment as necessary for the day.

Get some rest. Talk time.

12:00 PM Lunch

Return to Dome, Watch bands perform.

5:00 PM Semi-Finalist Awards Ceremony

Awards – will need to find out DM Report time.

Announcement of Finalist Bands.

Dinner.

Finals. Massing. Awards.

Late Morning Semi Final Draw Possible Scenario

6:00 AM Wake Up 6:30 AM Breakfast 7:30 AM Depart

Breakfast on Bus.

8:00 AM Arrive at South Lot 8:50 PM Enter SW Tunnel

9:00 AM Warm Up 10:00 AM Performance

10:30 AM Return to Hotel

Store or load equipment as necessary for the day.

Return to Hotel

Lunch

Watch Bands Perform

5:00 PM Semi-Finalist Awards Ceremony

Awards – will need to find out DM Report time.

Announcement of Finalist Bands.

Dinner. Finals. Massing. Awards.

Afternoon Semi Final Draw Possible Scenario

6:00 AM Wake Up 7:00 AM Breakfast

Possible brief video session of prelim performance, morning rehearsal at

Convention Center.

8:00 AM Possible Light Morning Rehearsal

10:00 AM Depart for Lunch

10:30 AM Lunch

11:30 AM Depart for Convention Center

12:00 PM Arrive in South Lot 12:50 PM Enter SW Tunnel

1:00 PM Warm Up 2:00 PM Performance

3:30 PM Return to Convention Center

Store or load equipment as necessary for the day.

4:30 PM Dinner

At convention Center

5:00 PM Semi-Finalist Awards Ceremony

Awards – will need to find out DM Report time.

Announcement of Finalist Bands.

Finals. Massing. Awards.

If Jenks makes finals, there will most likely be a quick turn-around for warm up and dinner. Group needs to be together and ready to communicate & move efficiently at a moment's notice.

Finals General Schedule

6:30 PM Gates Open

7:00 PM Grand Finale Opening Ceremonies

8:00 PM Finals Begin

11:00 PM End of Finals Competition

Massing. Awards. New National Grand Champion.

11:30 PM Stadium Cleared

12:30 AM Return to Hotel

Sunday, November 17th

7:30 AM Wake Up, Breakfast, Room Check Out & Load Buses

9:00 AM Depart for Jenks

Actual departure time is contingent on when driver's availability.

Lunch, dinner, and driver switches en route to Jenks

Students will be given \$20 cash to cover both lunch and dinner

9:00 PM Estimated Arrival Home

Update on website, Facebook

Put away instruments, uniforms & equipment.

Medicine picked up by students.

Monday, November 18th

9:15 AM 1st Hour Band

We will all be tired, but we all need to be at school. Monday's rehearsal will start at 9:15, when school begins. Tuesday's rehearsal and all subsequent rehearsals will be at the regular time (8:25 am), see concert band information page for details.

We will be primarily preparing for the Holiday Concert (which is Thursday, December 12^{th)}, but we will also be preparing for the Kiwanis Christmas Parade (which is Saturday, November 23rd) and going to the 2nd Round Playoff Game on Friday, November 22nd (which could be a home or away game – depending on District results).

Medicine Information for BOA – *Important Medicine Info*

ALL medicine must be turned in before luggage check-in

(6:00 AM Wednesday, Nov 13th)

in the **ORIGINAL** prescription bottle with the correct instructions on the bottle.

The medicines must be in the original bottle in a zip lock plastic bag with your student's name written on the bag with a sharpie.

Medicine not in its original bottle will not be accepted.

Medicine will be distributed from your child's medicine bottle. This is a law and non-negotiable! This is also the same policy as the school.

This includes any over-the-counter medicines. The band has Tylenol and Ibuprofen available, but if your student needs cough medicine or antihistamines or other such over the counter medicines on a regular basis, please supply this. Over-the-counter medicines need to be in a new and sealed package. Placed in a ziplock bag with your child's name on it and instructions written out.

Please also include any special instructions - such as specific times the student receives the medicine or if it is taken with food.

We take the safety of your children seriously and ask for your cooperation! If there is a problem with medicine check in, you will be notified while the students are rehearsing and we will help you find a solution.

If you have your medicine information on file with the school nurse, you can contact them to get a copy of it. You are responsible for getting the form from the nurse to us on Thursday morning.

If your child uses an inhaler – we need this information presented as well – documentation and usage instructions. They can keep the inhaler with them, but we need you to come to medicine drop off to sign the forms.

Also, if your child uses an inhaler –
THEY MUST BRING IT.
Sharing of inhalers is NOT something we
want to do. Please be sure the inhaler has an
ample supply of medication and will last
through Sunday.