The Sixth Annual West Johnston High School Marching Band Invitational October 10, 2009

General Information

Registration Fee - $75.00 (subject to change)
Checks should be made payable to: WJHS Band Parent's Association

Registration Deadline – **Friday, September 4, 2009**
Due to the finals only format, only a limited number of performance slots are available. Once all slots are filled, we cannot accept additional applications.

Competition Classification – Based on the number of total musicians.
The bands will be divided by the total number of playing members into four classes: 1A, 2A, 3A, and 4A. The number of playing members in each class will be determined by the natural breaks among the registered bands. Bands will be scheduled within their class by the following: earliest registered band will perform last in their class. Bands may enter a higher classification, but not a lower one.

Format – The contest will be a finals format only.

Adjudication
We will be using the NCBA six-member panel as well as separate adjudicators for drum major, color guard, and percussion. We will follow the NCBA Procedures and Adjudication Manual.

Awards – Each band will receive a ratings trophy for participation.

Classification awards will be presented at the conclusion of the competition. At a minimum, each classification will have awards for 1st and 2nd place bands, Music, Marching, and General Effect as well as Drum Major, Color Guard and Percussion. In addition, we will award *The People's Choice Award* – determined by the vote of the audience throughout the competition.

The Awards Ceremony will be at the conclusion of the competition.

The Grand Champion Trophy, ***The Alumni Cup*****,** will be awarded to the highest scoring band regardless of class at the conclusion of the Awards Ceremony.

Performance Requirements and Times
All styles are eligible. The band may enter or exit the field from any location. Bands will be scheduled in fifteen minute intervals. All bands must enter the stadium, perform, and clear the performance area within their fifteen minutes. Each show must be at least seven minutes in length.

The contest schedule will be mailed out two weeks in advance of the contest date. We reserve the right to revise the schedule up to five (5) days before the contest begins. You will be notified of any and all changes.

Facilities

- There will be climate controlled dressing facilities available upon your arrival.
- There will be lighted-warm-up areas for your use.
- The ramp to the stadium is paved. Your pit equipment and props will be easy to move both to and from the stadium, never leaving the asphalt until they are moved onto the field itself.
- There will be a Director's Hospitality Area located at the top of the stands to provide you a bird's eye view of the field. Each director will receive five VIP passes for admission to the Hospitality area to relax while you enjoy complimentary food and beverages courtesy of the West Johnston Band Parent's Association.

Chaperone Admission

Each band will receive one free chaperone admission ticket for each 10 band members. All other band parents will have to pay the regular admission at the main gate upon arrival.

Inclement Weather

The West Johnston Invitational will be held rain or shine as long as the weather conditions and field conditions are not deemed dangerous to the participants. Upon registering, you will be provided a weather plan including alternative judging opportunities and emergency phone numbers.

Registration

Please complete the enclosed registration form. Your non-refundable registration fee of $75.00 must be received with your registration form no later than **Friday, September 4th, 2009. The field is going to be limited due to the finals only format.** You are encouraged to register as early as possible. Make checks payable to the WJHS Band and mail to:

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