

Lee's Summit North Band Department

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Dear Band Director,

It is our pleasure to officially invite you and your band to perform in the 11th Annual LSN Marching Band Invitational, as well as our Indoor Drumline (stand still only) and Color Guard Festival, to be held on Saturday, October 10, 2015. Our field show competition will take place on our FieldTurf surface in Bronco Stadium.

Please complete the enclosed registration form and return it to LSN, **postmarked no later than September 4, 2015.** Please enclose a check for registration fees with your registration form. A confirmation letter will be mailed/emailed to all registered schools as soon as our performance list is compiled.

Sponsor: Lee's Summit North High School Marching Band

Date: Saturday, October 10, 2015 **Place:** Lee's Summit North High School

Contest: Field Marching competition, Indoor Drumline, (stand still only)

Indoor Color Guard competition

Adjudication: Several judges will be used for band (some in box and some on the field). One percussion judge will be used for the indoor drumline competition. (**stand still only**) One judge will be used for the indoor color guard competition. Written comments will be available the day of the festival and recorded comments will be available via box.com or some similar format.

Band Classification: Based on band size (3 classes).

Indoor Drumline/Color Guard Classification: Based on band size (2 classes).

Weather: Field marching competition may be suspended at any time for unsafe weather conditions. If the field competition is suspended, bands will perform indoors for exhibition only. We will keep you informed at all times. All fees paid will not be refunded due to Festival expenses.

Field Show Time limits: 15 minutes (including entrance and exit)

Exhibition Band: Lee's Summit North High School will be the final band of the festival and will not compete.

Website: Watch for updates on www.midwestmarching.com

Format: This will be a single performance format.

Registration deadline: All entry forms and fees need to be postmarked by **September 4, 2015.** Please contact me directly if we are past the deadline date and you are looking for a festival for your band to showcase their talents.

Awards (tentative)

Trophies for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd places will be awarded in each class.

High Music

High General Effect

High Visual

High Field Percussion

High Field Auxiliary

Outstanding Soloist

Indoor Drumline (**stand still only**) and Indoor Auxiliary awards (from indoor competition)

Time-Table

The Invitational begins in the afternoon and the drumline/color guard competition will run concurrently with the Field competition. Awards for all indoor drumline/color guard competition and field show competitions will be held in the stadium. If we have 20 bands or more, we will do two awards presentations to allow the parking lot and stadium to clear a little bit for the later arriving and performing bands.

Concessions

Concessions will be on sale in the stadium concession stand and at the indoor competition. We encourage you and your students to support our concessions. Concession proceeds will help to keep our festival an annual and successful event for us all.

Indoor Drumline (stand still only) and Color Guard Festival

We also offer an indoor drumline and color guard contest in the high school field house. Each group will be limited to 12 minutes, including entrance and exit. You may participate competitively or for critique, only. Written comments will be available the day of the festival and recorded comments will be available via Dropbox or some similar format. There will be 2 classes for the indoor drumline (stand still only)/color guard competition based on band size.

Thank you for your interest in the **LSN Marching Band Invitational.** If you have any questions or comments please feel free to contact us at anytime. Specific information, performance times, requests for program information, etc. will follow upon your band's acceptance to the festival.

We look forward to seeing you in performance and hope you will join us for the **11th Annual LSN Marching Band Invitational.** Please let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Scott Kuhlman Director of Bands 816-986-3037 scott.kuhlman@lsr7.net