

September 8, 2015

Greetings from the Missouri Western State University Department of Music!!

We are pleased to announce the 30th Annual "Tournament of Champions" marching competition. We hope that you will include this event on your calendar. This year's event will take place on Tuesday, October 13th in Spratt Stadium. Due to extensive stadium renovations taking place we will not have stadium lights this year. The event will begin in the morning and conclude by late afternoon.

We will divide into 5 classes based on the number of playing members in your band (winds and percussion). Here are the anticipated class divisions:

- 1A – up to 49 musicians
- 2A – 50-74 musicians
- 3A – 75-99 musicians
- 4A – 100-119 musicians
- 5A – 120+ musicians

The class may be slightly altered depending on received entries in order to make the competition as fair as possible for all attending.

Bands will be scheduled at 15 minute intervals. There is no minimum time limit for your show, but you must be able to get on and off the field within your scheduled time slot.

We have an optional warm-up area that you may use and it will be scheduled for you regardless of your decision to use it.

We run a 6 judge panel with 4 up and 2 on the field (weather permitting).

The entry fee is \$350 per band. This must be paid before your band can compete. You may send your payment in the mail or deliver it personally on the day of ToC. This fee is nonrefundable.

If it rains, we march. The field is designed to handle up to 4 inches of rain per hour. Hopefully that will never happen! If it should rain, it is your call regarding your performance.

A comprehensive packet with all of the information that you will need will be emailed to you upon receipt of your entry form. You may either complete the enclosed entry form and email it to ngay2@missouriwestern.edu or you can fill out the online entry form located on the MWSU Music Department website.

Thank you so much for your support of this event through the years. We look forward to seeing and hearing your bands perform!

Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Nathan Gay', written in a cursive style.

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Missouri Western State University Bands 30th Annual TOURNAMENT OF CHAMPIONS
Tuesday, Oct.13, 2015

School/Band Name:

Address:

Number of Busses you expect to use?

Will you expect to have an equipment truck or trailer?

Director(s) Name(s):

Director(s) Cell #:

Director(s) Email:

Number of Drum Majors:

Name(s) of Drum Majors:

Names of Additional Staff (Please Specify title):

Show Theme/Music:

Number of Students in Band:

Number of Auxiliary Members:

School Colors:

School Mascot:

List of Past Awards/Honors:

Completed Registration Forms are Due by September 31, 2015

Return Via Email with TOC ENTRY in Subject Line:

Return Via USPS: TOC ENTRY, Department of Music, 114 Potter Hall, MWSU, 4525 Downs Drive, St. Joseph MO 64507

ENTRY FEE OF \$350.00 MADE OUT TO MWSU BANDS IS

_____ included with returned form

will be presented on day of event (bands will not be allowed to march without payment) or is being mailed separately