

## **2019 Thunder Invitational - General Information**

**DIRECTORS:** Please READ all of this and pass it on to your Staff, Parents, and Students.

### **FOOD AND DRINKS CONTEST POLICY**

There is absolutely NO Cooking, Meal Preparation on School Grounds. This also includes coming to the show with food for your group. Moreover, you are not allowed to order food from an outside vendor to be delivered to the school. Failure to abide will result in a PENALTY VIOLATION which will be assessed to your score. Please have your students and parents eat at our Concession/Catering Stands. The Concession Stands will be open all day with a great variety of food and drinks.

### **WRIST BANDS**

Staff Members wrist bands will be provided based on what you listed on your Announcer's Sheet. IF YOUR STAFF MEMBER WORKS AT ANOTHER SCHOOL, THEIR WRIST BAND WILL BE WITH THE SCHOOL THAT PERFORMS FIRST.

Chaperone Wrist Bands will be provided based on (1) wrist band for every (10) students in your group.

Directors will receive a specific Thunder Invitational Lanyard.

For additional Chaperones, Volunteers and Spectators, etc., an admission ticket is required. Admission tickets will be available for sale at the Band check-in table or at the Main Entrance to the Stadium.

### **TICKETS**

Tickets will be \$15.00 per person at the gate. Children 5 and younger are free.

### **CHECK-IN/ARRIVAL/BUS INFORMATION**

The front entrance of the school on Vista Park Blvd will be clearly marked for the entrance of your buses and your equipment trucks. Spectators will park at Gates 2 & 3, whilst trailers/trucks will be directed to Gates 5 after drop off.

Please follow the signs to the Check-in Table at the front of the school. Wristbands will be distributed to your allotted chaperones and staff, at that time. Each band will be assigned a host for the day and will be escorted to all areas for warm-up and performance.

### **WARM UP AREAS**

Please stay in your designated warm up area. BATTERY PERCUSSION NEED TO REMAIN WITH THE BAND IN THE DESIGNATED WARM UP AREA, whilst PIT PERCUSSION may warm up in our school courtyard. Metronome use is not allowed. Failure to comply will result in a PENALTY VIOLATION.

### **AFTER YOUR PERFORMANCE POLICY**

It is expected that all Performers remain with their Director(s) and remain in Full or Half Uniform while at the show.

### **HOSPITALITY ROOM**

The Hospitality Room will be located in our Band Hall. This room is for Directors and one (1) guest of their choice.

### **EQUIPMENT TRUCKS/TRAILERS**

Equipment trucks/trailers will be parked and unloaded at Falcon Coves parking lot taken through Gate 5.

\*Please allow enough time to unload, pick up equipment, and travel to warm-up spot.\*

## WATER

We will water your group before/and after their performance. Feel free to bring additional water for your group.

## PROPS

The use of any pyrotechnics (rockets, flares, smoke bombs, etc.) or fire batons is strictly forbidden. Confetti on the field is also prohibited.

## PARKING

Parking will be \$5 per car, no re-entry.

## FIRST AID STATION

The First Aid Station is located behind the Performance area (behind bleachers). There are also Emergency responders on site and ready for emergency situations.

## HAPPY GRAMS

Happy Grams will be available for \$1.00 each. All Happy Grams will be read just prior to your band's performance.

## STADIUM SEATING

Stadium seating is limited. Bands and Guards must sit on the Visitor Side. Overflow for bleacher will be endzones (first come first serve). Please do not take equipment to the stands, so we can use all the seating space for student seating.

## BAD WEATHER

In the event of bad weather, the bands will be placed in a holding area under shelter, warm-up areas will be assigned, and the performance will take place in the Gymnasium. Same General Admission and ticketing rules still apply in the event of a rainout.

