

Midsouth Band Festival General Information

1. Registration: Upon arrival proceed to the registration booth set up on the north side of the stadium.
2. Parking: Your buses, as well as your equipment trucks, will be directed to their designated parking areas. All other vehicles will need to park in the "General Parking" which is free.
3. Dressing Rooms: Dressing rooms are available as shown on the map in the Fine Arts Wing at Gadsden City High School. They are available for bands an hour before their scheduled warm-up time. Please supervise your students, as we cannot accept responsibility for any lost or stolen items.
4. Warm-Up: Please warm-up only in designated areas. Do not warm up in the bus parking area. Bands causing a disturbance to bands on the competition field will be penalized according to the discretion of the contest coordinator and judges. This includes playing in undesignated areas as well as loud yelling.
5. Admission Fee: General Admission tickets to the Midsouth Marching Festival are \$10.00. Children 3 and under admitted free.
6. Chaperones: Chaperones will be admitted free at the ratio of one chaperone per ten (10) students.
7. First Aid: The First Aid station is located in adjacent to the home concessions. There will be an emergency services vehicle just outside the fence around the stadium. You may also obtain assistance by approaching any of the Midsouth Festival Staff who will be wearing badges so you can identify them. There will be a radio at each station throughout the warm-up areas and stadium.
8. Directors Hospitality Room: There will be a hospitality room open to band directors, director's spouses, staff and bus drivers located in the lunchroom of GCHS.
9. Concessions: Concessions will be open throughout the entire day. We offer a variety of foods. We appreciate your support of our contest through our concession stand! General Information
10. Band Seating: Each band will have a designated seating area in the stands.
11. Souvenirs: AWB Apparel will have a complete line of band and music related items for sale throughout the competition. (T-shirts, shorts, pants, hats, buttons, teddy bears) Please plan to stop by their booth!
12. No director, parent, or student from any participating band will be allowed in the press box at any time.

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13. All band and auxiliary officers participating in the awards ceremony must be in full uniform. Once given the signal, the officers will be allowed to come onto the field to a spot of their choice. There is not a designated assigned order.

14. Score Packets: Band Directors may pick up their scores and comments at the conclusion of the awards ceremony in the Press Box. All judges comments will be digitally recorded and downloaded on one jump drive.

15. Gadsden City High School, including the stadium, is a Tobacco Free campus.

16. Each performance will be recorded in High Definition by ProCat Audio/Video. Please visit their booth.

17. Restrooms are available at the concessions area both on the right and left.

18. Absolutely NO TENTS are allowed in the stands. We understand that the stadium gets hot and there is very little shade, but the tents are a safety hazard and can get in the way of others' enjoyment of the event.

19. Communications: A number of people with portable radios will be positioned throughout the complex. They will be able to contact Chris Benedetti, Gadsden City High School Director of Bands; Melissa Padgett, Gadsden City High School Assistant Band Director

20. Lost and Found: Found Items should be taken to the Front Gate entrance. You may claim lost items as well at this location. We ask that you please do not bring in any outside food to the Midsouth Marching Band Festival. Please support our Band Program and eat at the Concessions. This will enable us to continue the contest for many years to come. Thank you,
GADSDEN CITY BAND STAFF