



Fine Arts®

Galena Park Independent School District

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Dear Director,

On behalf of the Galena Park Independent School District and our Fine Arts Department, I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate you and your band for advancing to the UIL Area F Marching Contest to be held on Saturday, October 24 at the GPISD athletic stadium.

The official performance schedule will be posted on your Region website. Maps of the GPISD athletic stadium and NSSH campus are posted there as well. Official warm-up areas will be provided inside the North Shore Senior High gymnasiums.

Buses will enter the stadium complex at **Castlegory**. As you exit Beltway 8 and approach the stadium on Wallisville Road, Castlegory is the second traffic light from the Beltway (on the right-hand side). Please instruct your equipment trucks to follow behind the student buses into the stadium complex. Parking workers will direct you to the designated parking area. Once unloaded, your buses and trucks will remain in the bus/truck lot until your departure. Please see maps and follow the dotted lines for buses/trucks.

Student band monitors will meet your band in the parking lot approximately **30 minutes** prior to your scheduled warm-up time. There are restroom facilities and water fountains available inside the NSSH cafeteria, located just across from the warm-up gyms. The band monitors will assist you in finding the warm-up gym, field entrance gate, field exit gate and locating your buses following your performance. GPISD band staff will monitor warm-up times, field entrance/exit gates and front sideline should you have any questions.

The current UIL [Constitution & Contest Rules](#) for this event will be in effect. Take time to carefully review all rules and any changes in preparation for this event. An online version of this document can be accessed at <http://www UIL.utexas.edu/policy/constitution/index.html>. Please be reminded of the following:

1. Do not play while outside the gymnasiums
2. Do not practice or warm-up percussion sections outside as they are audible from the stadium.
3. No one is allowed in the press box except contest officials and competing band directors.

Spectator parking is free and accessible from Evanston. The admission fee for spectators is **\$3.00 per person**. The admission gate is located at the northwest corner of the stadium. **Ten (10) chaperone passes per band will be provided TO EACH PARTICIPATING HEAD BAND DIRECTOR by UIL Area F Executive Secretary Ben Gollehon.** Chaperones must have passes from **you** to enter free of charge. Parents that assist with equipment do not need a pass to enter the stadium during the bands performance. Bus drivers will be admitted free with their school district ID badge.

No video recording will be allowed from inside the press box, on the video decks or within the area designated for the judges. An area just below the press box, to the right of the 50 yard line, will be designated and identified for video recording. Remind your students and parents that all bands will be video recorded so please **keep the noise level as low** as possible while bands are performing. In addition, **please remind your students not to move into or out of the seating areas while bands are performing.**

Best wishes to you and your students for a smooth and successful marching event. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Mickey Winger".

Mickey Winger
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