

## Briarcrest Marching Invitational Saturday - October 17<sup>th</sup>, 2015 (afternoon/evening)

Dear Colleagues,

I want to invite you and your band to attend the Briarcrest Marching Invitational on Saturday October 17, 2015 (afternoon/ evening). Each year, the Briarcrest Marching Invitational is carefully planned and designed to give you, your students and your fans an outstanding musical experience:

- We intentionally select A World Class Judging Panel of Nationally Recognized trained
  and certified judges from across the country, many of whom have judged for organizations
  such as Drum Corps International (DCI), Winter Guard International (WGI), and The
  United States Scholastic Band Association (USSBA).
- **Instant Feedback sent directly to your smart phone.** Our judges use **iPads** equipped with digital recording software which instantly stores their comments onto a <u>secure</u> website where only you can INSTANTLY review your tapes moments after your performance! In addition, we supply every band with comment CD's for good measure.
- **Judging and Scoring System** featuring two overall effect judges, instead of one music effect and one visual effect judge. The use of two overall effect judges is a coming-trend within the marching band world and has been piloted as an approach by both DCI and USSBA. In addition to the two effect judges, your band will be evaluated in each of the following areas.

Ensemble Musical Performance Percussion
Ensemble Visual Performance Color Guard
Overall Effect (2 judges) Field Commander
there will also be an award for outstanding soloist in each class

- Category for Show Bands!!! We know that there are numerous band programs across the mid-south whose style might not be conducive for a typical Corps Style competition. In an effort to provide these programs with a competition and performance outlet, we have integrated a new category exclusively for Show Bands.
- A Customer Service-Approach to Hospitality. Our number one priority is for you, your students, and your band families to have an unparalleled experience that is musical fruitful, educationally edifying and altogether FUN! Our 105-acre campus is a gorgeous facility that includes plenty of parking for busses and cars. The centerpiece of our campus is our university style sportsplex that features an amazing grass field and has a 2,500-seat capacity. In addition to a spectacular performance area, we also provide guarded changing facilities located next to the field as well as a hospitality center for Directors, Staff and Bus Drivers which overlooks the field.

All Best, Michael Parsons, Director of Bands, Briarcrest Christian School mlparsons@briarcrest.com 901-765-4638 (office); 901-751-6402 (fax)



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## **Registration Form**

## Classification (number of winds only) Class A\* Class AA\* 33-55 Class AAA\*\* 56-80 Class AAAA\*\* 81 or more

School/Band Name:		
Director(s)		
Field Commander(s)		
		Mobile: ()_
E-mail Address:		
		umber of Performers
Class Entered:		
Total Number of vehicles		and:
		Equipment Truck (s):
Special Needs (explain):	omer (explain).	1 /

Please Mail, Email or Fax this form by **September 25**<sup>th</sup> to:

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