



## ST. CHARLES WEST BANDS

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Dear Band Director,

I'm excited to invite you to the ***2nd Annual St. Charles West Marching Band Festival to be held on September 17, 2011!*** Our festival will be a prelims/finals format and will be held on the campus of St. Charles West High School at Steve Stahl Stadium with our newly installed sport turf field! Bands will be classified by band size, specifically the number of musicians including percussionists.

Our judges will be from the Central States Judging Association. Bands will be awarded placements in each classification, plus captions for best music, best visual, best percussion, and best guard in each class. The class winners, plus the next highest scoring bands, regardless of class, totaling 10 bands will qualify for an open finals competition in the evening. Modifications to the number of finalists may be made depending on enrollment. In finals, bands will receive placement awards as well as the same captions that are awarded in the preliminary round. Percussion and Color Guard scores will factor in to the band's total score in both prelims and finals.

The application will be available on May 1, 2011. Due to constraints on our facilities, I'm going to cap the event at 20 bands. Any band that participated in the 2010 SCWMBF has until April 30th to indicate whether or not they are returning this year. After determining how many bands will be returning, I will open the application to all schools until the remaining spots are filled. The application will be online at [www.scwband.org](http://www.scwband.org).

Please don't hesitate to contact me with any questions. I hope to see you on September 17th!

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