

**Raytown Marching Festival**  
**September 20<sup>th</sup>**  
**Information**

**Parking**

Bus parking will be at Raytown Central Middle School (10601 E 59th Street) (Located off Blue Ridge Blvd). Turn EAST onto 59th Street - the Raytown Central Middle School is one block east. Please watch for the parking host to direct the buses & equipment trucks to our designated parking areas. Students and equipment can be dropped off at the stadium (behind the high school). Please have any guest attending the festival park in the high school parking lot.

**School Hosts**

You will have a personal host for your school from the time you unload until your clinic after the field show. Your host will be available to you to assist you in locating where your band needs to be at any given time. They will help you with any questions you might have about the day's events.

**Concession Information**

Food will be available for your band to purchase, at the concessions, if you choose not to provide meals for your school. Your students will need to pay individually as they are served. These are normal concession stand prices. This will be available throughout the day. If you prefer to buy a lunch for your entire band and pay with one check we can arrange this, please let me know soon.

**Admission to the Field Show**

Admission is \$5 for anyone over the age of 5. Equipment helpers will have their hands stamped at the equipment gate for the field show for easy entrance & readmission at all gates. All other parents will need to enter at the main gate. If you plan to have your band completely out of uniform (street cloths), they will need to have their hands stamped for readmission to the stadium. As long as they have like shirts on, they will be admitted to the stadium.

**Indoor Color Guard / Drum Line**

Color Guards and Drum Lines will both warm-up in the small gym (next door to the large performance gym). Both groups will perform in our main gym. All color guards need to have the routine music on either CD or cassette. NOTE: Indoor Drum Lines will only be judged on what you have prepared (you will not be forced to do an indoor moving drill).

### **Field Divisions (separated by size of band)**

Blue – Truman, Platte County, Lee Summit North

White – Grandview, Raymore-Peculiar, Raytown (Exhibition)

### **Warm-Up Fields**

Bands that wish to use a physical and music warm-up together will use the lower practice field (east of the stadium). This field is now Raytown Central Middle School's field and is in good shape and will be lined. Although this field is further away from the stadium, we still ask that bands face away from the stadium during warm-up. Bands who wish to do music only warm-up may use the practice field or the circle drive in front of the High School. Your warm-up time is exactly 40 minutes prior to your performance time. You will leave the lower field and move to the stadium 10 minutes before your performance time.

### **Judging**

Bands will receive an individual score for each caption. These scores will be added together and then converted to a rating. You will receive a list of the scores for each band at the end of the festival, however these will not be announced at awards. They are strictly for your information as you prepare for rest of the season.

### **Field Show Clinic**

Immediately following each band's field show, the band will move to the large gym (the same location as the indoor events). You will have 30 minutes to work with your clinician. A DVD of the band's performance will be available for each clinician to use during this time. Each band will receive the DVD before they leave.

### **Awards**

The Awards ceremony will begin at 4:30pm. We will be awarding rating plaques for all field performances and indoor events. Trophies will be awarded for the best sections in each class. One trophy will be awarded to the overall "Grand Champion." All directors and students representatives (drum majors, color guard captains, etc.) in uniform should be on the track at 4:30pm.

Thanks for your support in music education. I hope find our festival beneficial to start your season.

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Raytown High School