

**2009 SOUTHWEST IOWA BAND JAMBOREE
AUGUST BAND DIRECTOR MAILING**

DATE: Saturday, October 3, 2009

PLACE: Clarinda High School

ENTRY FEE: \$100 Parade and High School Field Competition
\$60 Parade Competition only

WEBSITE: Please refer to the Clarinda website for further information at
www.clarinda.org

TENTATIVE ARRIVAL SCHEDULE:

8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. Bands arrive, parade formation

All Middle School Bands by 8:00 a.m.
Class 1A by 8:15 a.m. (**Suggested times only**)
Class 2A by 8:30 a.m.
Class 3A by 8:45 a.m.
Class 4A by 9:00 a.m.

9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Parade Competition

11:00 a.m. -12:30 p.m. Break

11:30 a.m. -12:30 p.m. Directors Luncheon @ Clarinda High School

12:45 p.m. – 12:50 p.m. Flag ceremony

12:50 p.m. – 1:15 p.m. Awards for parade competition

1:15 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. Clarinda High School Exhibition

1:30 p.m. Field competition

Award field competition trophies,
Glenn Miller Birthplace Society trophy
and the Masonic Lodge traveling trophy

Northwest Missouri State University
Bearcat Marching Band

CLASSIFICATION:

Iowa Schools need to use their IHSMA classification as reported in the IHSMA Spring Bulletin. Missouri and Nebraska schools should use the following student enrollments from last year's 9-11 grades.

High School classes will be defined as students enrolled from last year's 9-11 enrollment:

- 1A 1-149 students
- 2A 150-274 students
- 3A 275-599 students
- 4A 600 or more students

Middle School bands will be divided into three classes based on number of wind and percussion participants in the band as follows:

- Class I – 1-39 students
- Class II – 40-59 students
- Class III – 60 and above students

REGISTRATION:

The registration deadline is Friday, Sept. 11. Entry fees must be paid before bands will be allowed to perform. A copy of your school's requisition form may serve as documentation of participation until payment can be sent. Refunds of registration fees will not be made after the registration deadline. Absolutely no classification changes will be made after the registration deadline. A Band Jamboree banner, and recorded critiques of judges' comments during competition will be provided. Those participating in the field competition will receive a copy of their performance on a VHS-C cassette.

BUS PARKING:

All buses arriving must take the Highway 2 Bypass of U.S. 71, bringing you to the west edge of town. Turn right on Business 2 and proceed to the first intersection, then turn right on Cardinal Drive. **Please do not use Business 2 (East Washington) or Business 71 (16th Street), as they will be blocked off for the parade competition.** Officials will help park the buses. ***Schools will be limited to only two support vehicles this year.*** Support vehicles will be allowed to park by their buses. If your school brings additional support vehicles they will be asked to park off the school site and return following the parade competition. School bus parking is restricted to the Clarinda High School area only.

DIRECTORS' LUNCHEON:

The directors' luncheon will be held in the quad area of the high school from 11:30 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. At this time announcements or changes in field competition will be given. All of the band directors' are encouraged to attend.

CONCESSION STAND:

Food for band members, guests and parents will be available for purchase from the Clarinda High School Band Boosters in the High School commons-lobby area.

PARADE INFORMATION & RULES:

The parade will begin promptly at 9:00 a.m. **Upon arrival at the Clarinda High School all band students will be marked with a hand stamp to allow them free admission to the afternoon field performance.** You must arrive at your designated arrival time and move immediately into parade formation. The parade will follow the same route as in previous years commencing at 18th & Main, proceeding east around the square and west on Washington. Disbursement will be at 19th & West Washington. Final details, maps, and the parade order will be sent in our final mailing Sept. 21 or shortly thereafter. You will be given a parade banner to keep. There will be judges at three different fixed locations along the parade route and a fourth technical judge roving along the parade route. We will be having official spotters ½ block before the third judge's stand to control the spacing of bands. These official spotters will have the authority to slow down or stop your marching band without being penalized.

****SPECIAL RULE NOTICE: No bands are allowed on the official practice field during the parade or field competition until your scheduled time. Those bands not adhering to this rule may be disqualified and/or subject to penalty.**

Bands must maintain a forward motion at all times. Bands that do not maintain a forward motion will be subject to penalty points. If the parade stops, due to circumstances beyond your control, your band will not be penalized for stopping. Bands must follow the directions of the parade marshals or be subject to penalty points and/or disqualification. The technical judge will deduct five points for each delay of parade or failure to follow parade marshals' directions.

TROPHIES:

Trophies will be awarded to the top bands in the parade competition 1, 2, 3 and 4 in each high school class, 1, 2 and 3 places in each middle school class and 1 and 2 places in each high school class awarded in field performance.

An overall trophy sponsored by the Glenn Miller Birthplace Society of Clarinda will be given to the top band in the day's activities. In addition to the Glenn Miller Birthplace Society trophy, the overall band will receive the Masonic traveling trophy.

CERTIFICATES:

This year "Honorable Mention" certificates will be presented to several bands in the larger classes for the parade competition only. Certificates will be awarded for outstanding field performances in the following categories: Brass line, Drum Major(s), Drum Line, Soloist, Auxiliary line and Woodwind section.

PARADE COMPETITION AWARDS:

Directors and drum majors should report to the field between by 12:45 p.m. for the presentation of the parade trophies.

FIELD COMPETITION:

Field competition will begin at 1:30 p.m. All band students will receive free admission to the afternoon performance. Spectators will be charged an admission fee of \$4 for adults and \$2 for students. School activity tickets will not be accepted. Each participating school will be allowed three free admissions per bus (2 chaperone passes + 1 bus driver).

The Southwest Iowa Band Jamboree reserves the right to limit the number of bands competing in the afternoon field performance. Late entries may be subject to this exclusion. All bands must perform in class.

Each band will receive specific times for playing warm-up, marching warm-up, staging time and performance time. A Band Jamboree official will be assigned to your band at the appropriate warm-up and performance areas. Your band is allowed 15 minutes from the time they enter the field until the last person steps off the performance field. Performance time is limited to 11 minutes with a minimum of 7 minutes.

A practice field is available west of the high school. Because of the close proximity to the main field, please do not play instruments or drums during the marching warm up. Please instruct your drum major to have your band positioned to march at each of the scheduled times. A field competition list in the order you will perform and scheduled times will be sent in our final mailing.

No lawn tractors will be allowed on the high school track. Enter the performance field through the northwest corner next to the west bleachers. Position your band on the

west side of the performance field as the preceding band is performing. Enter the field when your band is called on the P.A.

Please return the enclosed Iowa High School Association Announcement form with your registration form. The announcer will make this introduction unless you wish to do so yourself. Please note on the announcement form if you plan to have your own announcer.

Our field judges will be following Iowa High School Music Association rules, using the official ballots and scoring procedure. Please refer to the IHSMA web site for a copy of the rules: www.ihsma.org. These ballots are similar to those used in surrounding states and will allow competing bands a rating (based on Iowa's rating system). The scores will be used to determine trophy winners and a recap sheet will be given to participating bands following their performances. The general effects judges will be located in the press box and execution judges will be on the field. There will be a technical judge during the field competition. Please call if there are any questions concerning the time limits or line violations. All field marching trophies will be awarded after the last band performs. The recorded critiques of judges' comments, ballots and VHS-C cassette recording will be provided in the official packet following the event.

Thank you for participating in the 54th Southwest Iowa Band Jamboree-October 3 in Clarinda, Iowa.