



## FRANCIS HOWELL HIGH SCHOOL BAND BOOSTER ASSOCIATION

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Dear Band Director,

I am very excited to invite you and your band to join us on October 28, 2017 (rain or shine) for the **37<sup>th</sup> Annual Francis Howell Marching Invitational**. We will hold the event at Francis Howell High School on the all-weather turf field inside Viking Stadium and use a prelims/finals format. We have used Team Pageantry, Inc. to judge the event each of the last four years, and we plan to contract with them again for this year's event.

### Band Classification:

Bands will be placed into classes to allow bands of similar size to compete against one another. You may choose to play in a larger band class for the preliminary round; please let us know in advance so the necessary arrangements can be made prior to the event. *Performance order in the preliminary round is determined by registration date, regardless of band classification.*

### Your marching band will be critiqued in the following categories:

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| • Music Performance Ensemble                  |            | 20% |
| • Music Performance Individual (field level)  |            | 20% |
| • Music Performance General Effect            |            | 20% |
| • Visual Performance Ensemble                 | } Averaged | 20% |
| • Visual Performance Individual (field level) |            |     |
| • Visual Performance General Effect           |            | 20% |

*\*Judging sheets will be the Mid-America Marching Consortium sheets*

**Again this year:** In addition to the captions we have traditionally offered, there will be additional judges to score for caption awards for the best guard and percussion in each class.

### Registration:

You may register by mailing the registration form, or you may register online. You can find links on our website, [www.fhhsmb.org](http://www.fhhsmb.org), and we have a listing on [www.midwestmarching.com](http://www.midwestmarching.com). There is a discount for registering by May 31<sup>st</sup>. Payment is not due until August 31<sup>st</sup>, so you do not need to send payment at the time of registration.

You will receive additional information regarding parking, check-in, warm-ups, etc. 2-3 weeks before the event.

It is my distinct hope that the Francis Howell Invitational will continue to be one of the area's premier marching band events. I wish you the best of luck as you prepare for the next season.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact me at the following:

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Sincerely,

**Chris Miller, Director of Bands  
Francis Howell High School**

### Band Boosters Executive Board

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