

May 1, 2017

Greetings from the Missouri Western State University Department of Music!!

We are pleased to announce the 32nd Annual "Tournament of Champions" marching competition. We hope that you will include this event on your calendar. This year's event will take place on Tuesday, October 10th in Spratt Stadium. The event will begin mid-afternoon and conclude in evening.

We will divide into 5 classes based on the number of playing members in your band (winds and percussion). Here are the anticipated class divisions:

1A – up to 49 musicians

2A – 50-74 musicians

3A – 75-99 musicians

4A – 100-119 musicians

5A – 120+ musicians

The class may be slightly altered depending on received entries in order to make the competition as fair as possible for all attending.

Bands will be scheduled at 15-minute intervals. There is no minimum time limit for your show, but you must be able to get on and off the field within your scheduled time slot.

We have an optional warm-up area that you may use and it will be scheduled for you regardless of your decision to use it.

We run a 6 judge panel with 4 up and 2 on the field (weather permitting).

The entry fee is \$350 per band. This must be paid before your band can compete. You may send your payment in the mail or deliver it personally on the day of the event. This fee is nonrefundable.

If it rains, we march. The field is designed to handle up to 4 inches of rain per hour. Hopefully that will never happen! If it should rain, it is your call regarding your performance.

A comprehensive packet with all of the information that you will need will be emailed to you after the deadline and prior to the event. You may either complete the enclosed entry form and email it to ngay2@missouriwestern.edu or you can fill out the online entry form located on the MWSU Music Department website.

Thank you so much for your support of this event through the years. I look forward to seeing and hearing your bands perform!

Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Nathan Gay', with a stylized, cursive flourish at the end.

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Missouri Western State University Bands 30th Annual TOURNAMENT OF CHAMPIONS
Tuesday, Oct.11, 2016

School/Band Name:

Address:

Number of Busses you expect to use?

Will you expect to have an equipment truck or trailer?

Director(s) Name(s):

Director(s) Cell #:

Director(s) Email:

Number of Drum Majors:

Name(s) of Drum Majors:

Names of Additional Staff (Please Specify title):

Show Theme/Music:

Number of Students in Band:

Number of Auxiliary Members:

School Colors:

School Mascot:

List of Past Awards/Honors:

Completed Registration Forms are Due by September 15, 2016

Return Via Email with TOC ENTRY in Subject Line:

Return Via USPS: TOC ENTRY, Department of Music, 114 Potter Hall, MWSU, 4525 Downs Drive, St. Joseph MO 64507

ENTRY FEE OF \$350.00 MADE OUT TO MWSU BANDS IS

_____ included with returned form

will be presented on day of event (bands will not be allowed to march without payment) or is being mailed separately