

"Always the 2nd weekend after Labor Day"

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January 17, 2017

Dear Band Director,

On behalf of the Murphysboro Apple Festival Committee, you are cordially invited to participate in the *Apple Festival Grand Parade* competition and *Drums at Appletime* field competition on Saturday, September 16, 2017. As has become the tradition, the parade competition will be open to junior high school, middle school, and high school bands. *Drums at Appletime* is for high school bands only.

The parade competition will begin at 11:00 a.m. Parade awards will follow promptly after the parade at the E. L. Bencini field located at Murphysboro High School. Parade awards for junior high/middle school classes and high school bands, which are participating in only the parade, will be announced at this time. *Drums at Appletime* will begin at 4:15 p.m. at Murphysboro High School. All other awards, including parade results for high school bands, are announced at the conclusion of *Drums at Appletime*.

The Murphysboro Apple Festival has always sought to provide an event that is responsive to the educational needs of bands that participate. We strive to employ the highest quality adjudicators to evaluate your performance. Many directors choose to participate in the critique session and have expressed how much they feel this interaction with the adjudicators strengthens the integrity of our competition. We will again be offering judges' comments via web page.

Please note the entry deadline for both events is Wednesday, August 31<sup>st</sup>. \*\*Only 18 bands will be accepted for the Apple Festival Grand Parade. \*\*Up to 25 bands will be accepted into Drums at Appletime. Acceptance into both events will be determined by postmark date of the application packet. Please mail and fax these materials as soon as possible.

We urge each director to complete the entry application properly and completely, whether entering the parade, field competition, or both. In addition to the application process we are requiring a \$200 entry fee with application for *Drums at Appletime* if received before August 31<sup>st</sup>. The entry fee is \$225 if received after September 1<sup>st</sup>. Parade only bands need NOT submit an entry fee. Please note, we are now able to accept payment by credit card. Please call 618-684-3200 for details.

We thank you for your support, interest, and participation in the Murphysboro Apple Festival and look forward to seeing you and your fine band on Saturday, September 16, 2017.

Best Wishes,
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## ENTRY APPLICATION APPLE FESTIVAL GRAND PARADE and/or DRUMS AT APPLETIME SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2017

(Please type or print clearly)

| School Name:   |
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| School Address (include city, state, zip):   |
| Official Name of Band:   |
| Official Band Website:   |
| Number of Winds and Percussion: Number of Auxiliary:   |
| Projected School Enrollment for 2017: School Phone and Extension:  |
| School Fax: Email:   |
| Director:Home Phone:   |
| Associate Director:Home Phone:   |
| Special Staff (include names and caption):   |
| Drum Major(s) (include names and pronunciation):   |
| Music Program:   |
| Events you wish to enter: Drums at Appletime Grand Parade Both   |
| Number of Vehicles: Will you require overnight housing? Yes No   |
| Special Awards and Accomplishments (attach spiel sheet if desired – these comments will be read  |
| as you are exiting the field/passing reviewing stand):   |
| Entry Fee of \$200 for Drums at Appletime enclosed: If received before August 31st.  Entry Fee of \$225 for Drums at Appletime enclosed: If received after September 1st I will send fee later |
| Director's Signature: Date:  |

ENTRY DUE DATE IS August 31, 2017. PLEASE MAIL OR EMAIL APPLICATION!

Murphysboro Apple Festival

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## **IMPORTANT**

Please mail or email your application by August 31, 2017

Mail or email to:
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Questions: MURPHYSBORO APPLE FESTIVAL 618.684.3200

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