

Marching Band Festival Report

M.S.B.O.A. District VIII

September 22, 2008

Dear Colleagues:

Welcome back to school! The Northwest Community Schools look forward to hosting the 2008 MSBOA Marching Band Festival on **Saturday, October 18, at Mountie Stadium**. Application materials have already been sent out and the registration fee deadline is Wednesday, September 24, 2008. All checks (\$55) should be made payable to *MSBOA*.

Once the schedule has been created, directors will receive in the mail all of the information for the festival, including maps, schedules, and gate passes. Spectators are encouraged to arrive early and observe the entire festival. Admission will be \$2.00 for adults, \$1.00 for students, and free for children six and under. Concessions will be provided by the Northwest Band Boosters, and they do an incredible job of providing anything you may want to eat or drink.

If inclement weather occurs on the festival date, the director, or a person designated by the director, will receive a phone call at 2PM. It is understood that some directors may not be available at 2PM because of festival preparations, so they should appoint a responsible adult to receive the call in their place. If the rain date must be used, individual contact by phone will be made to each school to confirm participation for the rain date, **Saturday, October 25th, 2008**, at Northwest High School. Schools unable to attend the rain date will not receive a refund of their festival application fee. Check the District VIII website (www.msboa8.com) for information regarding the Festival. Information will be posted as soon as it is made available to the District VIII webmaster.

To our 2007 Attendees: There was an issue at the engraver for the plaques for your trophies. I did get them to them late (very late! Sorry!), but more complications arose. You'll get them in November with THIS YEAR's plaques.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me. I wish you and your students the best in your preparations, and I look forward to receiving your application materials by **September 24th**.

Respectfully submitted,

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