Dear Director,

The Noblesville Marching Millers are pleased to host the 9th annual *Beau Benjamin Black & Gold Marching Band Invitational*. The performance / warm-up schedule, maps with parking instructions, and a concession menu are attached. It is my goal to make Noblesville's marching band invitational one of the premiere contests in the state of Indiana. If there is anything I can do to assist making your day here as pleasant as possible, feel free to give me a call (317) 773 – 4680 ext. 12246 or on my cell at (765) 438 – 3762.

Please note the following information

PARKING/ WARM-UP – The bus parking and warm/up is at the high school. The stadium is at Ivy Tech Community College. *(We make the trek every football game, and it isn't too bad.)* Warm-up areas and flow are attached. Pit equipment and prop trucks are welcome (not required) to drive their equipment to the stadium to drop off and reload after their performance.

** **spectator parking** will be located in and around Ivy Tech Noblesville at 300 N 17th St., Noblesville, IN 46060. Handicap parking will be available behind Ivy Tech off of Harrison Street. Please follow the signs and ask our volunteers for help.

Our stadium is located at Ivy Tech Community College which is a short trek from the high school. The bus parking and warm-up areas will be located at the high school. There will also be some parking available at the high school for those traveling with the band to help provide food and supplies.

Handicap Parking – Handicap parking is available next to the stadium, please let our volunteers know.

ADMISSION - \$7.00 for everyone that takes a seat (children under 5 and under are free). We will be accepting credit cards at the main concession stand and at the gate (\$0.50 convenience fee at gate).

Please let your parents know we have a very nice professionally printed program - sold for \$1.00.

Drum Major Retreat - Drum majors should report to the southwest end of the track 10 minutes before the scheduled award ceremony. Band students should be in visitor side bleachers.

 **Hospitality - A hospitality room is available for you and your staff at the Noblesville First United Methodist Church on Memorial Drive. This is the most important part of every contest. Ours will be fully stocked.
 Food requests can be mailed to the NHS band dept. The hospitality room is for <u>directors, staff, transportation</u> <u>employees and administrators, ONLY!</u> PLEASE be courteous of our hospitality.

NEW TURF IN STADIUM

 Props that roll on the turf must have Pneumatic tires (inflatable ones) – and not weigh over 250lbs. If you have props that are heavy or / with a different kind of tire. TEXT Eric Thornbury - ASAP at (765) 438 - 3762 **Guides, parking etc**. - Contest hosts will meet you when you arrive to park your buses (See enclosed map). All students, chaperones and bus drivers will be stamped while on the bus.

Admission - Staff and a limited number of wristbands (1 for every 10 students) will be given at check-in. The pit crew will be stamped at the gate. STAMPED HANDS ARE for VISITOR SIDE SEATING ONLY. Wristbands will be required for home side seating.

Please help us keep the reserved seats for your paying patrons. Concessions will be available in the North side of the stadium – menu attached

Restrooms – Restrooms will be available at the stadium and in the high school.

Timing and Penalties - No penalties will be given at our contest. Timing will be done for your convenience.
Extended Critique to follow contest at the First United Methodist Church.
two tables one visual one music – 5 minutes each.

AWARDS - We hope our first place band will enjoy a special "useable trophy". The first place band will receive an engraved 10-gallon water cooler to use at rehearsal and remind the students of their achievement at the 2019 Beau Benjamin Black and Gold Invitational for many more years to come. Caption awards will also receive useable trophy's aka Prizes for all captions.

Vendors – Vendors selling music related items may be in the stadium – encourage fans to bring \$\$.

Concessions - Our Band will have a full complement of concessions to sell. ** If you would like to feed your entire band a meal, or have special concession requests for your band. Please contact us so concessions can be ready.

We hope your day in Noblesville is one of the best weekends you have all season. *See you on Saturday Sept. 7, 2019. Musically Yours,*

Eric Thornbury Director of Bands / Music Department Chair Noblesville High School

SPECTATOR PARKING:

Please inform your band families that ONLY the band and equipment vehicles should park at the high school. Here is announcement you can use.

Families and spectators, please know that Noblesville's stadium is about a 1 mile walk from the high school. Please park at Ivy Tech Noblesville. Use the address 300 N 17th Street, Noblesville, IN 46060 if using GPS and follow the signs for Spectator Parking and Handicap Parking. See map below. There will also be shuttles stopping at the Gold Stars on the map.



The field is adjacent to Ivy Tech. Parking for busses and equipment vehicles is on the Noblesville High School Campus. Take Cumberland Road North off of 32/38. Cumberland is the first stoplight west of SR 37.

Directions:

From the North: I69 South to Exit 19 (SR 38). West on SR 38 to Noblesville. SR 38 will merge with SR 32 just east of SR 37.

From the South or West: 465 North to I-69. Exit 5 to 37 North. 37 North to SR32/38. West on SR 32/38. There is construction at the I69 exit to 37 north (exit 5). Be prepared for some delays.



ROAD MAP



Concession Sales

Drinks \$2 Chips \$1

Soft Pretzel \$3

Cheese Cup \$1

Chick-fil-A \$5

Pizza \$2

Candy bars \$1

Also Dippin' Dots and Hoosier Kettle Corn