

# Important Event Procedures

## 2017 OBA Marching Band Championship

October 28, 2017 • Memorial Stadium • Broken Arrow, OK

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Communications for the 2017 OBA Marching Band Championship will be sent via email.

### **PARKING INFORMATION:**

The campus of Broken Arrow High School has endured a significant construction project and MOST all construction has been completed at this time. All busses and trucks will enter from the northwest and park on the south side of the campus. Please see site map for more information. Additional staff vehicles may **NOT** be permitted in this lot due to limited space.

### **ADJUDICATION PROCEDURES**

The OBA adjudication system is based on Bands of America's score sheets rules and regulations. Bands of America has revised its scoring sheets for 2017, and to my knowledge, these are the sheets that OBA will utilize. We encourage you to go to [www.musicforall.org](http://www.musicforall.org) to review and download a copy of the Adjudication and Procedures Handbook as well as the OBA rules and regulations at [www.okbandmasters.com](http://www.okbandmasters.com). **REMINDER:** The 12' line has been extended to 15 feet.

### **ADJUDICATION PANEL**

The adjudication panel for the 2016 OBA 6A1 & 6A2 Championship will be: Dan Smith, Wayne Markworth, Mark Harting, Lynda Eubanks, Kevin Bell, Marietta Matthews, Carl Nelson. Specific judging assignments will be distributed on-site at band check-in.

### **BAND PERFORMANCE FLOW**

#### **Band Check-In**

- When you first arrive to Broken Arrow High School you will be directed to Band Check-In, located at the entrance of the bus/truck parking lot (see enclosed map).
- Your check-in packet will consist of your student wristbands plus 30 additional wristbands for band directors, staff and band volunteers, an updated performance schedule and other relevant event information.
- Band Check-In will open 30 MINUTES prior to the first band warm-up time.

#### **Competing Band Wristbands**

- Wristbands will serve as a pass through the stadium gates. Please have these items visible as you enter the stadium (not necessary while in uniform).
- Wristbands will allow you enter the flow with your band. A spectator wristband will function as an admission ticket for the general public but will not grant field level access.

#### **Bus/Equipment Truck Parking**

- The Bus/Truck parking lot is located in Lot C on the south side of the BA High School Campus.
- All buses and trucks must enter this lot through the "Bus Parking" entrance off of 61<sup>st</sup> Street (Also, called Albany Street - see map).
- OBA Volunteer Event Staff will be on hand to meet you upon arrival and will give your drivers parking instructions.
- If you have large props and would like to unload them closer to the stadium, inform the parking staff and they will direct you to a temporary unloading area.
- Physical or musical warm-up is only allowed in the official warm-up areas during your assigned warm-up time.

#### **Staff Vehicles / Official Band Vehicles**

- Unofficial vehicles will need to be parked in the Spectator lots.
- Please limit your staff vehicles and official band vehicles to a minimum. Event staff will work to limit the amount of non-school vehicles in the Bus/Equipment Truck Parking Area to ensure the safety of all band members.
- Event staff is committed to providing a safe and secure venue. Your compliance and cooperation are appreciated.

### **Band Warm-Up:**

- All warm up areas are paved surfaces or Field Turf.
- It is your responsibility to report to your warm-up area at your scheduled time. Please allow plenty of time to arrive in warm-up.
- While in warm-up, OBA Volunteer Event staff will monitor your 45-minute time and then walk you to the Band Entrance Gate for your report time as listed on the prelim schedule.
- Your guide will signal you or someone you designate at 15 minutes, 5 minutes and 2 minutes before you must be clear of the warm-up area.
- Your pit will move toward the stadium 15 minutes prior to the rest of the band.
- If you arrive late for your warm-up time, you cannot stay past your 45-minute scheduled time. You will be led ON TIME to the Band Entrance Gate.

### **Percussion Warm-Up**

#### **BATTERY PERCUSSION**

- The Battery warm-up is with the Band in the designated Band Warm-up area. Please be considerate of the nearby homeowners and have your battery warm up on the EAST side of the warm up area away from the nearby homes.

#### **PIT PERCUSSION**

- A separate pit percussion warm-up is located in an asphalt parking lot near the BAHS Gymnasium (see Site Overview Map).
- Pit percussion may also warm-up with the Band in the designated Band Warm-Up Area.
- There can be no sound bleed into the stadium.
- Battery and pit percussion warm-up is only allowed during your designated full band warm-up time.
- Pits will report to the Entrance Gate at their designated time (15-minutes prior to the band report time).
- Lighting is limited in this area. Please be aware.

### **During Your 45-Minute Warm-Up**

- Please note that if your band uses a wireless system, it may NOT be tested or used during your designated 45-minute warm-up. Channels may be the same from band to band and we want to prevent accidental overlap to a performing band on the field.
- **You may therefore only test your wireless system on the performance field.**
- The use of Dr. Beats, jam blocks, other time keeping devices and the use of long rangers and megaphone amplification devices WILL be allowed, with the following exceptions:
  - 1) NO wireless systems will be allowed in the warm-up areas.
  - 2) The sound projected cannot interfere with the performances occurring in the stadium.

### **Motorized Vehicles in the Stadium**

- Motorized vehicles are allowed in the stadium ONLY if they have a bib (diaper) type covering underneath the engine of the vehicle.
- There must be some type of covering under the battery of any amplified equipment. There cannot be any mechanical fluids dropped in the turf.
- Please unlock the wheels on your front ensemble carts when in transport.

### **Gate Dimensions**

- The band/pit entrance and exit gate is 15' wide with no height restriction.
- Please make a note to measure props and other large equipment to accommodate for this space.

### **Hash Marks**

The field will have ONE sets of markings

- High School markings dividing the field into equal thirds, 53'4" from the front and back sidelines in permanent WHITE Field Turf

### **Performance Timing**

- Bands are scheduled on 15-minute intervals, with appropriate judges' breaks.
- A band is allowed four (4) minutes to set-up and warm-up anywhere in the Performance Area. Entrance to the Performance Field must be made from the back of the field or the end zones.
- A band is allowed a performance time of 6 to 11 minutes anywhere on the Performance Field.

- The timing will begin at the conclusion of the four-minute set-up/warm-up time, following the announcement that “Oklahoma Bandmasters Association is proud to present in preliminary/finals performance Drum Majors \_\_\_\_\_ and the \_\_\_\_\_ High School Marching Band.”
- Bands should completely vacate the Performance Field within two (2) minutes of the end of the performance. We define *vacating the Performance Field* as being outside/clear of the goal line (south side towards band exit) with all personnel, equipment and props.

#### **Adjudication Sheets and Box 5 Productions DVD**

- Non-finalist bands may also pick up judges’ sheets at this time. Finalist bands will not receive any sheets until after finals.
- All recap sheets will be held until the END of the finals competition.  
You may designate someone to pick up your packet at the conclusion of the show.

#### **Restrooms and Changing Facilities**

- If your band needs to change into and out of uniform, restrooms will be available inside the Stadium.
- If you need to use these facilities, please go IN GROUP, through the Band Re-entry Gate (located next to the Spectator Entrance).

#### **Feeding and Watering Your Band**

- Outside food and beverage in **NOT** allowed to be brought into Memorial Stadium.
- Each participating band should plan appropriately for the watering of its students.
- The Broken Arrow Band Parents will provide access to facilities to refill or replenish your water supply. However, any containers, cups, supplies and the provision of water service itself are ultimately the responsibility of the participant.

**Trash:** Please have the members of your organization police themselves on picking up trash. Stack or pile garbage bags by the light poles in Bus Parking Lot, and Event staff will remove them by the end of the event to the nearest dumpsters.

#### **Finalist Directors’ Meeting After Prelims Award Ceremony**

There will be a Finalist Directors’ Meeting in the PRESS BOX immediately following the Prelims Awards Ceremony (approx. 4:45pm). The 12 highest scoring bands from Prelims will advance to the finals competition. At this meeting, performance order will be determined by a “top 6”/“bottom 6” random drawing. Information regarding the FINALE will also be discussed at that time.

#### **Finale and Awards**

There will be a **Full Band Finale** on the performance field. It is totally ‘your call’ whether your students have instruments for this. A OBA Event Staff member will help guide you and your group onto the field. The asphalt access road to the south of the stadium will serve as the ‘staging area’ for the Finale.

#### **GENERAL INFORMATION:**

##### **Spectator Parking**

- Spectator parking is located on the north side of the campus (please see the site map for more details).
- There is no charge for spectator parking.
- Outside food and beverage are **NOT** allowed into Memorial Stadium.

##### **Professional Photos By Jolesch Enterprises**

- Jolesch Enterprises, OBA’s Official Photographer will be on site to capture professional photos of your students in action, as well as the official group photo commemorating your Broken Arrow Invitational appearance.
- Order information has been included in this packet and will also be available on-site as well as online at [www.joleschenterprises.com](http://www.joleschenterprises.com).
- Due to the professional crew on-site, use of cameras of any kind are **NOT ALLOWED** on the field (stadium floor) at the event. Please communicate this to your parent/booster group.
- Still cameras (digital or film, professional or otherwise) are allowed into the stadium and may be used from the stadium seating, but not on the field.
- Tripods or other similar equipment that may obstruct the view or path of travel of others in the seating areas are not allowed.

**Professional Videos By Box 5 Media**

- OBA's Official Videographer, will be on-site recording each and every performance. Individual band and Finals compilation DVDs, including the awards ceremony, will be available for purchase on-site or online at [www.box5productions.com](http://www.box5productions.com).
- Due to the professional crew on-site and in order to comply with copyright laws, video and audio devices of any kind are NOT ALLOWED in the stadium. Please communicate this to your parent/booster group.
- Directors will receive a free high-camera video of your prelim and finals performance.

**Commemorative Merchandise**

- OBA Championship T-shirts and other souvenirs will be available for purchase in the Stadium Area.
- You and your students and parents will also want to check out our other exhibits in the Marketplace including music-related souvenir vendors and exhibits.