

**Kansas Bandmasters Association**

**Marching Band Championship**

**Washburn University**

**October 19<sup>th</sup>, 2019**

Noon - Report to the band room

12:30 PM- Depart for Topeka

2:00 PM Arrive and unload instruments

2:30 PM- Start Warmups

3:30 PM- Depart for the Gate

3:50 PM- Arrive at the Gate

4:00 PM- Perform

4:15 PM- Move props and percussion equipment back to the bus area. All other students will sit on the back side of the stadium and wait for prelim awards.

4:45 PM- Prelim awards and finals announcements

7:30 to 10:30 PM Finals

10:45 PM- Finals Awards

11:30 PM- Depart for Olathe

Approximately 1:00 AM- Arrive in Olathe

\*Like last week please bring a change of warm clothes with you. If we perform early in finals then we will go to the bus and change out of our uniforms before watching the rest of finals. If we perform late in finals we will stay in our uniforms for the entire afternoon. As with last week, it will be important to dress in layers under your uniform. I think it should be pretty nice in the afternoon but you will want to bring layers to put on under your uniform for finals. A reminder we do not wear hoodies under our uniforms and whatever pants you wear under your uniform cannot show out the bottom. If you want to bring blankets for the stands as well that is fine. There will be a significant portion of the day where we will not be in uniform. Please make

sure you bring plenty of warm clothes and blankets for the stadium as we watch groups in the afternoon. Please make sure you wear warm clothes underneath your uniform, but no “hoodies” or jeans as they show when your uniform is on.

\* Please eat lunch before you report to the bus. Dinner will be provided by the Boosters. There will be a concession stand in the afternoon so bring some money with you if you are interested in that.

\* Please remember to “Keep it Classy”. Cheer for other groups during awards and only share positive thoughts when speaking to or about any other group. Be gracious and humble in victory or defeat. It sounds like there were a few instances where other groups weren’t classy to us last weekend. Always be the bigger person and smile and move on.

\* Admission is \$10 for adults, \$5 for ages 6 to 10. Seniors 60+ are also \$5. **They are attempting to setup the ability to accept debit or credit cards but they have not finalized it yet so at this time cash is the preferred option.**

\* For this event they took more groups into the competition than they can easily manage so I fully expect parking to be very challenging. If you are planning to come and watch please allow extra time to find a place to park.

\* For those students who are leaving with their parents please make sure you check in with Mr. Smikahl or Mrs. Creek and let them know that your parents have arrived and that you are leaving. We should have a travel slip on file prior to the event. **No on-site arrangements will be accepted.** Please do not leave without checking in, that results in a lot of extra time for staff members as we try to make sure you were not left in the stadium prior to departure.

\* Last year we did a full retreat for finals so we had to change back into our uniforms. The packet does not say if there will be full retreat or not so be prepared for that possibility.