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September 30, 2017

Dear Champions,

Welcome to Murray State University and the 42nd Annual Festival of Champions! We have been looking forward to your arrival to our wonderful campus.

Being a member of a successful band such as yours means more than just becoming a good musician. And since you have already hit that high mark and are accomplished with your instrument, you can add new goals to your horizon. You have shown discipline, perseverance, the ability to work with others towards a common goal, and an ability to stay focused for long periods of time. Years of practice and training towards this moment shows how you approach worthwhile activities. These great qualities will last you throughout your lifetime no matter the path you take.

As you know, the Department of Music at Murray State University has an excellent reputation and a long tradition of producing quality graduates who work in the music field. The department supports regional music programs and has excellent partnerships with many of the schools represented by this festival and beyond. We are proud of those relationships and we are delighted to be serving as your hosts today.

While you are here, I hope you will stroll around our beautiful campus and visit with members of the Department of Music. Let us know if there is anything we can do to make this visit, or future visits, more enjoyable.

Today, we salute you, your parents, your teachers, and those who have shown you the encouragement to be successful. Your presence here today is a symbol of that combined success. Congratulations to all of you on this milestone!

Best of luck, have a great time on our campus, and come back and visit us soon!

Sincerely,

David Balthrop

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Dean
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Welcome to Murray State University and the Festival of Champions. We are delighted to have you here for one of the many festivals sponsored by our outstanding Department of Music. As you watch and listen to the bands perform today, I am sure you will recognize why the Festival of Champions is a highlight of the marching band season.

Murray State University has a strong and active Department of Music with over 250 undergraduate music majors and minors, and 24 full-time faculty members. In addition, students from a wide variety of majors participate in our ensembles. Many of our music faculty and students teach, conduct, or perform in the community as well. Murray State reaches out to be a resource to area musicians like you.

Events such as this require the coordinated effort and commitment of many individuals and organizations. Our faculty, staff, and students offer their support in many different ways for festivals like this. Your music teachers, parents, and school administrators also promote your success in all of the efforts that come together on this day. I hope you will take time to thank those who made it possible for you to be here today.

You can find out more about Murray State University by visiting our website at www.murraystate.edu/music. The Department of Music's webpages will tell you more about who we are and what we have to offer, whether it is varied degree programs, superlative faculty, or a calendar of events. We are pleased to offer a Music Business program in addition to our other degrees in Music Performance and Music Education. Prospective students are encouraged to contact us to set up a campus visit. You can reach us by email at lunrauterry@murraystate.edu or by calling the department at 270-809-4288.

We are happy to have you here for this exciting day of marching bands. Best wishes for an exciting experience at the Festival of Champions.

Sincerely,

Dr. Lucia Unrau, NCTM
Chair, Department of Music



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WELCOME TO MURRAY STATE UNIVERSITY:

On behalf of Mr. John Fannin, myself, and the entire music department of Murray State University. I wish to welcome you to our campus. We are extremely proud of the Festival of Champions and all the festivals that we sponsor, since it indicates an ongoing commitment that we have to all the instrumental programs in the region. We take very seriously our role as a resource to the schools and their directors. In addition to the Festival of Champions, we organize and host many other workshops, clinics and festivals geared towards the needs of the school instrumental programs. Offerings such as:

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PRELIMINARY COMPETITION TIME TABLE

CLASS A

Murray High School 11:00

Ballard Memorial High School 11:15

CLASS AA

Camden Central High School 11:30

CLASS AAA

Calloway County High School 11:45

North Side High School 12:00

BREAK 12:15

CLASS AAAA

Madisonville North Hopkins High School 12:45

Owensboro High School 1:00

Henry County High School 1:15

Hopkinsville High School 1:30

Jasper High School 1:45

CLASS AAAAA

McCracken County High School 2:00

Marshall County High School 2:15

Castle High School 2:30

Henderson County High School 2:45

RACER BAND PERFORMANCE 3:00

AWARDS 3:10



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CLASS A

11:00

Murray High School Tiger Band

Director: Tim Zeiss

Assistant Director(s): Beth Stribling

Staff: Owen Butler, Krista Fielder, Shane Melvin, Kelsey Dunn, Ben Stone, Adam Fisher, Tim Hutchens, Elizabeth Wechtenhiser, Prashant Chakradhar

Drum Major(s): Natasha Purcell

Total on Field: 84

Show Title: The Bridesmaid

11:15

Ballard Memorial High School Band of Pride

Director: Heather DiPasquale

Assistant Director(s): N/A

Staff: Mike DiPasquale, Abby Parker, Aaron Moody

Drum Major(s): Cody Howard

Total on Field: 37

Show Title: Masquerade

CLASS AA

11:30

Camden Central High School Marching Lions

Director: James Young

Assistant Director(s): Karen Gauthier

Staff: Andrew Lynn

Drum Major(s): Mercedes Wright

Total on Field: 48

Show Title: Revolutions

CLASS AAA

11:45

Calloway County High School Laker Band

Director: Derek Jones

Assistant Director(s): Kevin Suiter

Staff: Grant Knox, Hunter Carter, Amanda Hagen, Allison Adams, Patrick Eckelkamp, Chad Thompson, Madison Wells, Wade Griggs

Drum Major(s): Micah Crouse

Total on Field: 70

Show Title: Call of the Wild

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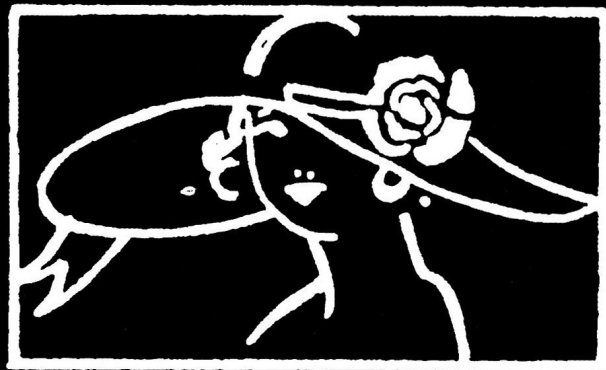
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12:00**North Side High School** Marching Indians Band**Director:** Jason Eckford**Assistant Director(s):** James Henning**Staff:** Shawntel Reynolds, Jaiden White, Tamara Springfield, Mark Winston**Drum Major(s):** Taliya Talley**Total on Field:** 74**Show Title:** Trapped In Time**12:15 Break**

CLASS AAAA

12:45**Madisonville North Hopkins High School** Marching Maroons**Director:** Randy Adams**Assistant Director(s):** Alan Emerson, Cory Mullins**Staff:** Sarah Emerson, Laura Marks, DeMaria Powell, Russell Shartzter, Al Courington, Brent Burris, Hunter Sanders, Drew Boslooper, Anna Eckard, Emma King**Drum Major(s):** Katie Gates, Taylor Logan**Total on Field:** 108**Show Title:** The Full Circle**1:00****Owensboro High School** Marching Band**Director:** Abe Barr**Assistant Director(s):** Aaron Klausing, Jason Smith, Kara Smith**Staff:** Anthony Hughes, Dylan Glass, Wanda Conway, Brandon Todd, Chris Payne, Harley Blane**Drum Major(s):** Ernesto Percy**Total on Field:** 71**Show Title:** Outside the Box**1:15****Henry County High School-TN** Marching Patriots**Director:** Kyle Graves**Assistant Director(s):** Joey Sam, Katherine Sam, Chris Watson**Staff:** Blaine Bomar, Khadijah Combs, Lauren Graves, Jalen Ware, Steven Courtney
Drum Major(s): Clayton Caudill, Abigail Littrell**Total on Field:** 111**Show Title:** Nonconformity**1:30****Hopkinsville High School** Band of Tigers**Director:** Seth Peveler**Assistant Director(s):** Grant Jones, Travis Miller**Staff:** Ben Carroll, Lucas Allen, Aaron Jones, Troy Jones**Drum Major(s):** Emme Margle**Total on Field:** 106**Show Title:** Rise of the Dark Horse**1:45****Jasper High School** Marching Wildcats**Director:** James Goodhue**Assistant Director(s):** Patrick Keeley, John Collier, Phil Fleming**Staff:** Susan Caraway, Amanda Blunk, Andrea Gregory, Scott Ebenkamp, Amanda Hoium**Drum Major(s):** Grace Harmon, Courtney Obermeyer, Tyler Richardson, Vince Obermeyer**Total on Field:** 148**Show Title:** Turned to Gold

CLASS AAAAA

2:00**McCracken County High School** Mustang Marching Band**Director:** John Lovell**Assistant Director(s):** Kelley Ray**Staff:** Ralph Matlock, Stephanie Buchanon, Jeremy Watwood, Hannah Tinsley, Brady Powell, Daniel Cupp, Eli Case**Drum Major(s):** Carter Bullard, Jasmine Robinson, Ansley Moore, Cheyenne Nordstrom**Total on Field:** 110**Show Title:** Dream Within a Dream

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Jon Nash

Hunter Carter

2:15

Marshall County High School

Marching Marshals

Director: Ronnie Payton

Assistant Director(s): Ryan Weldon, Aspen Carrigan, Jessica Dismukes

Staff: Andy Gibson, Taylor Walston, Blake Lile, Nathan Smith, Brittany McCoy, Sarah Beck, Lori Jo Cain, Haley King, Jennifer Payton, Joel Roberts, Taylor Inman, Steve Mathis

Drum Major(s): Jesus Lara, Allison Kirk, Kayla Story

Total on Field: 112

Show Title: Haunted

2:30

Castle High School Marching Knights

Director: Tom Dean

Assistant Director(s): Mark Eifler

Staff: Nikki Miller, Greg Keith, John Miller, David Wantland, Daniel Riley, Mark Leonard,

Stephanie Myers, Hayden McClure

Drum Major(s): Matthew Waggoner, Sydney Blanflord, Diana Tkachuk, Gabby Pape, Ivy Wade

Total on Field: 215

Show Title: Fly to Paradise

2:45

Henderson County High School Colonel's Brigade and Guard

Director: Conner Kinmon

Assistant Director(s): Charles McManus, Paul Metzger, Aaron Hudson

Staff: David Morton, Houston Buchanan, Scott Dallas, Kaylen Wettstain

Drum Major(s): Wyatt Besse, Maggie Morris

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Show Title: From the Ashes



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AWARDS - 9:30 p.m.

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