

2025 Monarch High School Marching Band Festival General Information

1. **RULES AND REGULATIONS**...All CBA rules will be in effect and all directors need to be aware of any changes to the format. Visit the Colorado Bandmasters marching page for more information at <https://www.coloradomarching.org/>. PLEASE NOTE: Contest hosts will be notified by the CBA Executive Secretary verifying the participating director's membership prior to the qualifying event. All participating band directors must be members of CBA.
2. **TOTAL TIME LIMIT**...Each 4A/5A band is allotted fifteen (15) minutes of time. This time includes your entry, on-field warm up (optional), show, and exit. Please refer to the CBA rules regarding minimum times, field times, etc. CBA will not enforce the maximum performance time of 11 minutes but please remember that you have a maximum of 15 minutes total time on the field.
3. **BUSES and TRUCK PARKING**... All Buses and trucks will enter the Campus off of South Boulder Road via Centaur Village Drive on the east side of the campus. **Map attached.** You will be greeted by a Band Host or Parking Attendant and be provided with your director packet with wristbands for the band and Prop and Pit, plus a few guest After drop-off of Band Members, buses will exit onto South Boulder Road and park along Centaurus Village Drive as directed by the parking attendants.

DO NOT UNLOAD YOUR BUSES UNTIL A FESTIVAL REPRESENTATIVE HAS MET YOU AND PROVIDED A DIRECTOR'S PACKET.

You will be given a packet at check in, which includes:

- QR CODE to access the program
- Copy of the final performance schedule
- Location of Director's Lounge
- Wristbands for Band members and chaperones (GOLD)
- Five (5) complimentary full access wristbands (ORANGE) to use at Director's discretion
- Wristbands for pit/prop pushers (NEON GREEN). **Pit/prop wristbands allow entry to the field during your performance only; purchasing a spectator ticket is required to enter the stadium after your band is done performing.** As per CBA policy, each band will be given a maximum of 25 pit/prop wristbands.

4. **SPECTATOR PARKING**...Spectator parking in the Centaurus High School main parking lot is limited to ONLY handicapped parking. Please advise your staff and parents to arrive early to allow for time to park in the spectator parking lots located in the neighborhoods around Centaurus High School, local businesses within ½ mile of Centaurus High School and from Angevine Middle School or Ryan Elementary School. See a list of specific lots and maps of their locations on our website at: www.monarchbands.org/monarch-marching-festival.
5. **FIRST AID:** There is a first aid tent outside of the stadium, on the west gate where the bands enter the stadium.

6. **CONCESSIONS**...Monarch Band Boosters will operate concession stands on the home side of the grandstand near the ticket booth. Food vouchers are available for your band and staff at a reduced rate, \$8 for entree, chips and drink. To order food vouchers, call Festival Coordinator Marie Jacobs at (303) 919-4122. We will be serving burgers, hot dogs, brats, cheese nachos, chips, snacks and our famous Fresh Squeezed Lemonade, as well as other drinks. GATES AND CONCESSIONS WILL BE OPEN AT 1:00 IF ANY OF YOUR SPECTATORS WANT TO HAVE LUNCH IN THE STADIUM.
7. **FEEDING YOUR BANDS**...You will find the food area and some grassy places to pitch your food tents at the northern most edge of the parking lot. Please see the Parking Lot Captain to be assigned a space.
8. **ADMISSIONS**... The cost for the festival is \$18 per person ages 18-64, \$13 per person ages 6-17, \$13 per person ages 65+, and free for kids 5 and under. Cash and credit cards are the only methods of payment. Encourage your spectators to purchase tickets in advance and skip the line.

The **website for advance ticket sales** is: https://gofan.co/event/4119226?schoolId=CO67973_1

9. **WRISTBANDS FOR STADIUM ENTRY**...One of our band hosts will meet you at your bus and provide you with a packet that includes all of this information plus GOLD wristbands for your band members, 25 NEON GREEN wristbands for your Pit and Prop volunteers. If your Pit and Prop Volunteers or parent community want to watch any performance, they must purchase an ORANGE spectator wristband.
10. **SEATING**...The MAIN GRANDSTAND on the north side of the field will be reserved for the paying audience. The stands will be roped off during the performance and opened for spectators after each band performs. If your students are staying to watch other bands, they are welcome to sit in the stands on the south side of the stadium.
11. **2025 AWARDS**...There will be placement awards (4A-5A) for the top 3 bands in each class. Participation trophies will be presented to each band that participates that did not place in the top 3. **AWARDS CEREMONY** includes Drum Majors ONLY (no captains per CBA regulations). Each band receives full recaps for this show in their packet, but the recaps are not published on the CBA website for this festival.
12. **SNOW OR BAD WEATHER**...If weather drives the cancellation of the event, schools will be notified in the order of furthest distances traveled and as early as possible. We will use the contact information on your entry form.

13. **VIDEO RECORDING**...A professional video recording of your performance will be made from the press box. All bands will receive (during awards ceremony) an SD card of their performance as part of their entry fee. If you are leaving before awards, please ask the Festival Coordinator for your packet before you leave. It will be brought to your equipment truck and handed only to the director.
14. **WARM-UP AREAS**...Each band has been assigned a body warm-up, music warm-up and pit/battery warm-up station (see attached schedules and maps). Also included are open areas for your guard to warm up. You have a 30-minute warm-up for both body and music and a 30-minute warm-up for pit/battery, however, please be advised that another band begins their warm-up time at your end time, so **PLEASE** begin your transition so the next band can begin their initial routine as you exit. Even though you have plenty of time to get to the gate you still need to leave the warm-up area on time.

IMPORTANT NOTE: No warm-ups should take place in residential areas directly west of the Centaurus campus. **NO GOCK BLOCK OR DR. BEAT CAN BE USED IN THE BODY OR COLOR GUARD WARM-UP. ONLY HAND CLAPPING WILL BE ALLOWED.** It is the responsibility of the director to share all warm-up information with their staff.

15. **REPORTING TIMES**...Your reporting time IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY. There is a 5-minute transition time between body warm-up and music warm-up areas and a 5-minute travel time to your report time. Please note that the pit should report 15 minutes prior to their performance time to ensure that they are not moving while the previous band is performing.
16. **RESTROOMS AND WATER FOR THE BAND**...There are restrooms located behind the grandstand and various portable restrooms available near the buses and warm-up areas. *THE RESTROOMS INSIDE CENTAURUS HIGH SCHOOL ARE OFF LIMITS. Water is available for the bands at each warm up area.*
17. **SECURITY AND LOST AND FOUND**...The Monarch High School Band Program, Monarch Music Boosters, and Boulder Valley School District are not responsible for lost or stolen items. Please have someone stay with the buses at all times or lock them up. Tell students not to leave valuables on the buses. If something is found (car keys, phones, etc) please bring them to the Volunteer check-in table and we will do our best to locate the owner. Please inform your band and parents to check the volunteer table for lost items.
18. **2025 MONARCH MARCHING FESTIVAL PATCHES** A limited number of festival patches are available to purchase for \$6.50 at the ticket window and concessions. If your band would like to order a quantity of patches after the show, please contact Marie Jacobs, Festival Coordinator at 303-919-4122 or email monarchbandfestival@gmail.com. We will have a deadline to order after the festival, so that we can place one order for all interested bands.