

# UIL REGION 24 MARCHING CONTEST 10.16.2021

- LOCATION:** Prosper ISD – Children’s Health Stadium 2000 Stadium Dr., Prosper, TX 75078
- STADIUM:** Artificial turf. Seating can accommodate 6,000 people on home side and an additional 6,000 people on the visitor’s side.
- PARKING:** Buses and cargo trucks will enter from the Dallas North Tollway to W Frontier Parkway. Turn into the stadium on the north side of Children’s Health via Stadium Drive. Buses should continue around the east side of the stadium where an attendant will direct them where to park. Cargo trucks will park on the south side of the stadium with overflow in the east parking lot (bus lot). Buses will enter Stadium drive and route around the south side of the stadium to the north east parking lot. Parking attendants and Prosper Police will be on duty to assist, and guides will meet and direct you to the check-in area. (See enclosed map)
- Percussion/Props** Equipment trucks/trailers will also enter the stadium from Stadium Drive and follow around to the south side of the stadium, where they will be directed to the south end of the stadium, nearest the entrance to the field.
- DIRECTOR CHECK-IN:** Each band will be met at the check-in table by a contest greeter and guide. The guide will find your band 20 minutes before your warm up time is scheduled and stay with your band until it exits the field of competition. **Be sure you bring your Form 1 with you signed by your Principal and these will be collected at the check-in.**
- WARM-UP AREAS:** Warm-Up areas will be available as indicated on the enclosed map. The band guides will direct each band to the designated area. Each band will have thirty (30) minutes for a warm-up. Bands should not play before entering the warm-up area. Battery may warm-up on heads with the band only at the designated warm-up time. PLEASE NOTE: Bands moving to and from the warm-up area should not use whistles or drum cadences. All bands must face away from the stadium during warm-up. Amplified metronomes need to face away from the stadium, be kept at a low level, and used only during the musical warm-up time. In order to reduce the length of wait before moving on to the field, moving time from the warm-up area to the stadium has been kept to an absolute minimum. All bands must be ready to move at the time designated on the enclosed schedule. The band guide will notify each director five (5) minutes prior to moving from the warm-up area.
- ENTRANCE AND EXIT:** Bands (along with all percussion and props) entering the field for competition will use the south endzone entrances and ramps. Front ensembles will use the southwest gate/ramp and props will use the southeast gate/ramp. Directors may elect to have the winds and guard choose either the southeast or southwest ramps based on traffic and logistics. Upon conclusion of the performance, each band will exit by using the northeast gate, staying as close to the field as possible or on the turf and exit through the end zone. Directions are indicated on the enclosed map.
- PERFORMANCE TIMING:**
1. When given the OK to enter the field, the 5 minute clock will begin and timing will be displayed on the stadium clock.
  2. With 45 seconds remaining on the 5 minute clock, the announcer will begin reading your announcement.
  3. With 20 seconds remaining on the 5 minute clock, the next statement which begins with “Drum Majors” will be read. As the “Drum Majors” statement is read, the stadium clock will be reset to 8 minutes. The official time in the pressbox will start the 8 minute clock at the end of the 5 minute warm-up period.
  4. Warm-up or Pre-show is permitted during the 5 minute warm-up period. However, judges will be reminded that any activity on the field will not be judged until they see the 7:59 on the field clock. If you do not wish to utilize the entire 5 minute period, you may hold your band at the field entrance to coordinate your ready time with the beginning of the announcement
- JUDGES:** All adjudicators will be located on the film deck on the third floor of the press box.

<b>FRONT ENSEMBLE:</b>	Please have plenty of people to assist. No motorized vehicles to transport or pull pit equipment will be allowed on the field.
<b>STADIUM SEATING</b>	<b>ALL COMPETING BANDS MAY SIT ON THE HOME SIDE, VISITOR STANDS ARE CLOSED</b>
<b>COMMENT SHEETS AND TROPHIES:</b>	<b>Comment sheets and Trophies may be picked up 30 MINUTES after your performance on the 4<sup>th</sup> Level of the Pressbox. Judges recorded comments will be sent to your school email.</b>
<b>HOSPITALITY:</b>	There will be a Hospitality Room on the 2 <sup>nd</sup> level of the Press Box (4 <sup>th</sup> floor) for all participating directors with snacks.
<b>ELEVATOR:</b>	Directors will be permitted to use the elevator located on the ground floor on the west side of Children’s Health Stadium. Please enter the glass doors on the outside of the west side under “Prosper ISD Athletics”.
<b>VIDEOS:</b>	One videographer will be allowed to enter the filming area at the top of the general admission seating on the home side, please look for the taped off area next to the directors viewing area.
<b>CONTEST OFFICE:</b>	The Contest Office will be located on the 3 <sup>rd</sup> level of the press box. Only judges and contest office workers will be allowed on this level during the contest.
<b>ADMISSION:</b>	<b>Admission to the UIL Region 24 Marching Contest is \$5.00 for 11 years and up; Seniors 65 and over free. (CASH ONLY, NO CREDIT CARDS)</b>
<b>CONDUCT:</b>	The need for good concert etiquette at all festivals is readily apparent. <i>Students should not move in the stands while a band is performing on the field.</i> Instruments should not be played except in the warm-up area and in performance.
<b>WEATHER DELAYS:</b>	Should weather become a factor, it may become necessary to adjust the schedule. The artificial turf drains very quickly. Bands may be held beneath the EAST (Visitor) stands or on the buses. Announcements with instructions will be made repeatedly, should weather become an issue.
<b>RESTROOM FACILITIES:</b>	Restrooms are available in the concession stand area on the visitor’s side of the stadium.
<b>DRESSING:</b>	Band members should be in uniform when arriving at the contest. No dressing facilities, other than restrooms, will be provided. Restrooms will be available underneath the east (visitors) stands for changing clothes.
<b>CONCESSION STANDS:</b>	Concession stands on the west side will be open to serve food and drinks. There will be <b>no outside vendors</b> allowed to bring food into the stadium the day of the contest. All outside vendors will be turned away at the entrances.
<b>INSTRUMENT REPAIR:</b>	An instrument repairman from Music & Arts will be available on the west/visitor’s side during the contest.

We look forward to seeing all of you on Oct. 16<sup>th</sup> at Children’s Health Stadium in Prosper. If you have any questions or concerns, please don’t hesitate to contact one of us listed below. Wishing all of your great rehearsals and good weather.

Sincerely,

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