

Which Class Should I Choose?

A Guide to the 2023 WGASC Classes

Color Guard

Classification Group in this class are usually:

Scholastic Festival Rating	Brand new programs from either junior/middle or high school just starting to explore the activity. Units receive commentary but this is a non-competitive festival class with festival ratings only
Jr. High AAA	Beginning junior/middle school performers doing single efforts with staff newer to teaching.
Jr. High AA	Junior/middle school performers with some experience doing single efforts with staff newer to teaching
Jr. High A	Experienced 7th-8th grade middle/junior high performers exploring multiple skills
Independent Regional A	Beginning performers not affiliated with a single school doing single efforts with staff newer to teaching.
High School AA	Beginning high school performers doing single efforts with staff newer to teaching.
High School A	High school performers with some experience doing single efforts with staff newer to teaching
Scholastic AAA	High school performers beginning to explore A Class skills and design within shows that need only meet High School A timing requirements
Scholastic AA	High school performers continuing to explore A Class skills and design within shows that meet the WGI A standard for timing requirements.
Scholastic A	Working to achieve WGI A Class Standard skills and design
Independant A	Working to achieve WGI Independent A Class Standard skills and design
Scholastic Open	Working to achieve WGI Scholastic Open Standard skills and design
Independant Open	Working to achieve WGI Independent Open Standard skills and design
Scholastic World	Working to achieve WGI Scholastic World Class Standard skills and design
Independant Word	Working to achieve WGI Independent World Class Standard skills and design

Percussion

Classification Group in this class are usually:

Percussion Scholastic Festival Rating	Brand new programs from either junior/middle or high school just starting to explore the activity. Units receive commentary but this is a non-competitive festival class with festival ratings only
Percussion Scholastic JH	Junior/middle school students performing standard marching percussion programs appropriate for their skills and experience
Percussion Scholastic Concert JH	Junior/middle school students with some experience performing standard concert programs containing introductory skills.
Percussion Scholastic Concert Standstill	Junior/middle or high school students performing a concert percussion or standstill (no marching) program. Battery instruments on stands or harnesses are allowed.
Percussion Scholastic HS A	Beginning level high school students performing standard marching percussion programs containing introductory skills and design elements
Percussion Scholastic Concert HS A	Students with some experience performing standard concert programs containing a mix of introductory and A class skills and design elements.
Percussion Scholastic AA	High school students with some experience exploring A class standards within a standard marching percussion program. Program goals should be developing and strengthening the A class skill
Percussion Scholastic A	Working to achieve WGI A Class Marching Percussion skills and design
Percussion Independent A	Working to achieve WGI Independent A Class Marching Percussion skills and design
Percussion Concert A	Working to achieve WGI A Class Concert Percussion skills and design
Percussion Scholastic Open	Working to achieve WGI Open Class Marching Percussion skills and design
Percussion Independent Open	Working to achieve WGI Independent Open Class Marching Percussion skills and design
Percussion Concert Open	Working to achieve WGI Open Class Concert Percussion skills and design
Percussion Scholastic World	Working to achieve WGI World Class Marching Percussion skills and design
Percussion Independent World	Working to achieve WGI Independent World Class Marching Percussion skills and design
Percussion Concert World	Working to achieve WGI World Class Concert Percussion skills and design

Winds

Classification Group in this class are usually:

Winds Scholastic A	Working to achieve WGI A Class Winds program skills and design
Winds Independent A	Working to achieve WGI Independent A Class Winds program skills and design
Winds Scholastic Open	Working to achieve WGI Open Class Winds program skills and design
Winds Independent Open	Working to achieve WGI Independent Open Class Winds program skills and design
Winds Scholastic World	Working to achieve WGI World Class Winds program skills and design
Winds Independent World	Working to achieve WGI Independent World Class Winds program skills and design