

California State Band Championship

Southern California 1A/5A Championships Information

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Welcome to CSBC Southern California 1A/5A Championships! We are honored that you are attending our tournament. The tournament will be held at:

Sandra Sanchez Thorstenson Stadium
California High School
9800 Mills Ave, Whittier, CA

Buses, trucks & trailers will park in the stadium parking lot on Hawes St.

ARRIVAL PLEASE CHECK YOUR ASSIGNED ARRIVAL TIME ON THE LOGISTICAL SCHEDULE ON THE CBSC WEBSITE. *5A BANDS, IF YOU ARRIVE TOO EARLY THERE MAY NOT BE ROOM IN THE PARKING LOT AND WILL BE ASKED TO WAIT OFF SITE UNTIL WE HAVE ROOM.*

The check-in table is at the gate where the buses and trailers enter. Look for a tent with a sign "Band Check-in" located in the entrance of the Hawes St. parking lot closest to Mills Ave (Southwest entrance See Map). Please pick up your Director's Packet and double check the schedule included in your packet and your designated warm up zone. If needed, you can purchase more chaperone/prop crew wristbands at the tent. Due to the amount of bands attending, parking will be tight. *Please do not arrive until your arrival time posted in the attached schedule.* If you arrive earlier we may not have room for you. In the packet you will find:

- Students will receive WHITE wristbands and must wear them for free admission into the stadium. The number is determined by the information that was input into the Competition Suite.
- STAFF will need their CSBC Badge for entrance to the stadium and to visit our outstanding hospitality booth.
- Chaperones/Prop Crew will be given 1 PINK wristband for *every ten students* for chaperones/prop crew (per CSBC guidelines). **EVERYONE ELSE WILL NEED TO PAY FOR A WRIST BAND.** Even if you just have people to move props, you will need to buy the extra wristbands (YELLOW) upon your arrival.
- If needed, you can use your credit card or cash to purchase extra at the pit entry gate. Thanks in advance for taking care of this and helping us avoid awkward moments.> Directors/Instructors will be given GOLD VIP wristbands. You will only receive wristbands for the instructors listed on Competition Suite or the Google form we sent you.
- You may be assigned student hosts to direct you to the warm-up and staging area. Please stay in those areas during your warm up time only. Although our student hosts will remind you of when to begin heading to the stadium it is ultimately your responsibility to get your performers to the gate in time. If you encounter any problems please contact Doug or myself. Please do not take it out on the student hosts. They are kids doing their best. See maps

SPECTATORS All Spectators may park for free in the faculty lot off of Mills Ave. or on the street throughout the neighborhood off of Hawes Ave. Spectator Admission is \$20.00 per person, kids 5 & under are free. Uniformed bus drivers will be allowed to enter for free. Seating is open on a first-come basis.

RESTROOMS There are plenty of restrooms in the stadium. They are located by the concession area and under the home stands. There are also restrooms located on campus to use during your warm-up. (See Map) Please avoid having your students dress in these restrooms.

WARM UP Each band/guard have been randomly assigned a lettered warm up area. Each group has a specific time slot (see the Logistical Schedule on the CSBC website) in the warm up zone, please be respectful of the other groups and stick to these times. Please face away from the stadium. Bands may be penalized if they interfere with performing bands. Please check CSBC field rules for clarification. Please **DO NOT** play or use radio (Color Guard) on the basketball courts.

PROPS & STAGING We have a designated area by the field entrance to store props (see map). You will need to be at the staging area 15 minutes before your performance. It will take a few minutes for you to get from the warm-up area to staging (see Campus flow map). This is a silent area...do not play or interfere with another performance going on.

FRONT ENSEMBLE It will take approximately 5 minutes to move your equipment from warm-up to the field staging area. Please keep your front ensemble with your band in the warm up area. *Motorized vehicles of any kind will not be allowed in the stadium.*

There is electricity in the dry well on the front sideline at the 50 yard line. Please have a backup power source just in case the field power fails.

ANNOUNCER The announcer is provided by the CSBC. The CSBC standard announcement for everyone will happen as long as we have your group's information.

AUDIO MIXING If you have someone running your audio mixing board please refer to the CSBC rulebook. They can mix from the field but if they are mixing from the stands, they will need to do so in the designated area in front of the press box.

FIELD ENTRY The field entry gate is on the rear of Side-B of the field (See Map). You may pick up your props from the designated holding area when you arrive. Props will be brought in through the double gate by the concession stands. This is adjacent to the gate the band will enter. When the band ahead of you takes the field you will be instructed to stage your pit and props on the track behind the end zone. Once the announcer calls your performing group, you will have a four (4) minutes set up time on the field. **ALL CSBC RULES APPLY.**

FIELD EXIT Once your performance is over, you will exit the field on the Side-A front sideline (See Map).

POST-PERFORMANCE

Once your unit has completed their performance, your students may sit on the home side (1A) and watch other shows. Please sit your bands in the designated seating areas (See Map). Please remind students to be quiet and courteous and to stay seated during performances.

HOSPITALITY You and your designated staff are invited to indulge in some great food, coffee and soft drinks provided by our booster parents. The hospitality area will be located on Side-A of the field under the stadium seating. Only directors and staff with either proper wrist bands or CSBC badges will be allowed in the hospitality area.

FIRST AID There will be a first-aid tent located near the field exit. Remember to bring emergency cards and emergency phone numbers in case a student needs treatment.

CONCESSIONS & PROGRAMS We will be selling programs by the field entrance. Please encourage students to buy them! Please support our program by having your students and spectators bring cash to purchase food from our delicious concessions. Remember, no outside food can be brought into the stadium and you are not allowed to cook or have barbecues on campus or in the parking lot.

AWARDS There will be two awards ceremonies. There will be a 1A Awards at about 3:00 and the 5A awards at about 9:00 We will be clearing the parking lot after the day awards to make room for the evening groups. Please have no more than 7 leaders (drum majors, captains, lieutenants) to the leader staging area, side 1 near first Aid, as soon as the last band performs. Awards will begin as soon as judging tabulation is complete.

RAIN We can never predict the weather, but rain may put a damper on things. I will call you during the school day to inform you of any changes. Please refer to the CSBC Rule Book for protocol in case of rain.

We are very excited to host your groups and see your performances. See you at the tournament.

Derrick S. Nuño, El Modena & Doug Nordquist, CalHi (retired)