

# 2025 WUHSD Field Tournament

# California High School, Whittier CA

Sandra Sanchez Thorstenson Stadium

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#### Welcome

On behalf of the Whittier High School Cardinal Brigade and WUHSD, we would like to extend a warm welcome and personal thank you for participating in our CSBC Marching Band Field Competition. We plan to serve you in the best capacity possible!

#### Arrival/Check-In

PLEASE DO NOT ARRIVE EARLIER THAN 2.5 hours before your performance.

# Buses, trucks and trailers will park in the stadium parking lot off of Hawes St.

The Director check-in table will be at the gate where the buses and trailers enter. Directors will receive a packet upon check-in with wristbands for student performers, as well as wristbands for chaperones. Performing groups are welcome to watch other ensembles in the stands.

We will provide you with the specified chaperone wristband amounts below. If you wish to purchase more volunteer or staff wristbands, you may also purchase them at the check-in table or at the ticket booth for \$12.

Remind your staff to bring their CSBC credential badge!

Those without wristbands will not be allowed onto the field.

**Volunteer wristbands:** 1 wristband per 10 performers

Staff: Director badges provided by CSBC or staff wristbands (amounts based on your Comp. Suite staff list)

### Warm-Up

Please warm up in your assigned warm up area per the CSBC logistical schedule. (see map)

Band and percussion will use the warm up areas assigned to you per the schedule and designated by letter.

Color Guards may use the designated blacktop warm up area (no speakers) or can join the band/percussion in their designated lettered warm up area. Please do not use a Dr. Beat/amplified metronome in your warm ups so as to not interfere with other groups/performing ensembles, and do not play or use speakers in quiet areas.

Please only warm up in your assigned spot at your assigned time out of respect for the logistics of the event and other performing ensembles. Additionally, failure to warm-up in designated warm-up areas by the show-host or CSBC may also result in penalties assessed. (See 2025 CSBC Field Rules)

It takes about 5 minutes to walk from the warm up area to the staging area. Please see the map for routes to take. We will also have guides in the warm up area who will be available to help guide your band to the stadium.

# Field Entry

The field gate is on the Side 2 Back side 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, which 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. Please see CSBC rules for set up/field timing regulations.

#### **Field Exit**

Once your performance is over, you will exit the field on the **Side 1 Front** side of the field. (see map)

## **Props & Staging**

We have a designated area by the back Side 2 field entrance to pre-stage props if you'd like. (see map) You will need to be at the designated staging area 15 minutes prior to your performance. Please allow ample time to pick up and stage your props.

#### Track/Power

Motorized vehicles of any kind are not allowed in the stadium or on the track. There is electricity on the front sideline on the 50 yard line. Please have a backup power source in case the field power fails as we are not responsible for backup electricity.

#### First Aid

There will be a first-aid tent located near the field exit. Please remember to bring emergency cards and emergency contact information in case a student needs treatment.

#### **Announcements**

There is a standard announcer for the event. Please make sure your CompSuite information is up to date as that is where script information is gathered from.

## **Admission/Tickets**

General Admission \$12, Students w/ID \$10, Seniors/Military w/ID \$8, Children 5 + under free. You can purchase tickets in our ticket booth (cash, card, apple pay) or online through the QR codes posted in front of the stadium.

## **Awards Ceremony**

There will be two awards ceremonies—day awards (1A, 2A, 3A) and evening awards (4A, 5A, 6A) We will be clearing the parking lot after the day awards. The awards ceremony will begin after the last performing group in 3A and 6A, respectively and as soon as judging tabulation is complete.

Please have no more than 7 student leaders at the **Side 1 field exit** by the time the last band performs so we can begin awards in a timely manner.

## **Seating in Stands**

Once your band has completed their performance, your students may sit on the **home side only** in the designated areas (see map). Please remind students to be quiet and courteous and to stay seated during performances. Students must be wearing wristbands to gain entrance to the stadium.

## **Spectator Parking**

Spectators may park for free in the faculty lot off of Mills Ave (limited spots) or on the street throughout the neighborhood off of Hawes Ave. **Spectator vehicles will not be allowed in the truck/bus parking area, unless they are carrying instruments/performing equipment.** Handicap parking is located in the bus/truck lot off of Hawes Avenue closer to the stadium.

## **Concessions/Food Regulations**

The Whittier High School Band Boosters are proud to serve you a large variety of food at our concessions! Please support our program by having your students and spectators purchase food from our delicious concessions. No outside food can be brought into the stadium.

LOCAL/DISTRICT RULE CONCERNING FOOD SERVICE/BARBECUES: ABSOLUTELY NO FOOD PREPARATIONS OR BARBECUES/GRILLS WILL BE PERMITTED IN THE PARKING LOT.

Performing units are allowed to bring water for their performances.

### **Programs/Air Grams**

We will be selling competition programs for \$5 as well as air grams for \$5 by the stadium entrance. Please encourage students/families to buy them!

#### Restrooms

The stadium restrooms are located by the concession area. There are also restrooms located on campus to use during your warm up. (see map) Please avoid having your students dress in these restrooms.

#### **Hospitality**

To show our gratitude for your participation in our event, we have a hospitality area prepared for all directors and staff by the front Side 1 field exit and access it by entering the stadium and walking around the home stands. *Staff and directors must have a Director's badge or staff wristband to enter.* Please do not send parents/chaperones to this area. Our hospitality is sponsored by the Whittier High School Band Boosters.

#### Rain

While we can't predict the weather, we do have a rain plan should the weather not work in our favor. You will

be contacted should the rain plan need to go into effect. Please refer to CSBC guidelines for rain protocol.

## **Driving Directions**

From 605 Freeway south

From 5 Freeway North

Exit Slauson east Turn left on Mills Exit Carmenita Right/North (Valley View has a ton of construction)

Turn Right on Hawes

Right on Mills Right on Hawes

From 605 Freeway North/5 South

57 Freeway

Exit Florence east
Turns into Mills
Turn Right on Hawes

Exit Lambert Left on Mills Left on Hawes

## **Commitment to Service and Excellence**

The Whittier High School Band and Color Guard and WUHSD is dedicated to hosting an event of the highest quality and is here to serve you. We thank you for coming to our event! Our goal is to provide an event that supports and showcases music education and the marching arts to the best of our abilities. If there are any suggestions or comments, please contact Doug or Eddie so we can better serve you and your students. Thank you!

If you have any questions, please contact Edward Mijares or Doug Nordquist:

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We know you have many choices on where to take your program to compete. Thank you again for attending and choosing our CSBC Competition, we look forward to seeing a day full of amazing performances!

Yours in Music,

Edward Mijares and Doug Nordquist