



ARIZONA MARCHING BAND ASSOCIATION

TO: AzMBA 1A Bands

FROM: Championship Committee

1A Class Championships Pinnacle High School

Presented by



On behalf of AzMBA, we would like to welcome you to the 2025 1A Class Championships, hosted by Pinnacle High School. Thank you for joining us this year and being a part of the success of AzMBA.

Enclosed is your packet containing important competition information and a map of the campus. We ask that each director help us in making this event successful in all aspects by communicating this information to staff, students, and spectators. AzMBA recommends you review the packet for show flow and information about Class Championships. **UNLOADING, PARKING AND LOADING INSTRUCTIONS ARE CRITICAL!**

Please share this packet with your parent supporters, bus drivers, truck drivers and staff. We recognize each of them as vital to a wonderful experience for all students!

If you have any questions, feel free to contact us at the phone numbers or email addresses listed below.

Again, thank you for attending, we anticipate a full day of fun and champion performances! Leave it all on the field!

Sincerely,
Championship Committee

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General Information

SCHOOL ADDRESS AND DIRECTIONS:

3535 E Mayo Blvd., Phoenix, AZ 85050

- Take 51 Freeway North exit Black Mountain Blvd. PHS is immediately after round about.

FLOW MAP:

- Please familiarize yourself with the map and flow of the day before your scheduled times. You will be responsible to get your unit to and from the assigned areas before, during and after your performance.

BUS UNLOADING/CHECK IN:

- Buses will unload on the service road that runs through Pinnacle High School.
- A sign will designate the bus unloading area.
- Performers will unload on the right side of the road and head north into the school quad to be directed to the equipment truck parking area.

BUS PARKING LOCATION/DESCRIPTION:

- Refer to the included parking map for ease of entrance into the parking lot.
- Buses will enter on the north side of the school on E. Mayo Blvd.
- Signs will be posted directing buses to the entrance.
- After unloading a parking coordinator will direct buses to their designated parking spot either on the school service road or E. Mayo Blvd.

EQUIPMENT UNLOADING:

- Refer to the included parking map for ease of entrance into the parking lot.
- Truck unloading and parking will be in the same location.
- Equipment trucks will enter on the north side of the school on E. Mayo Blvd.
- Signs will be posted directing equipment trucks to the entrance.
- A parking coordinator will direct equipment trucks to their designated parking spot in the school admin lot upon arrival.

TRUCK/TRAILER PARKING LOCATION/DESCRIPTION:

- Refer to the included parking map for ease of entrance into the parking lot.
- Truck unloading and parking will be in the same location.
- Equipment trucks will enter on the north side of the school on E. Mayo Blvd.
- Signs will be posted directing equipment trucks to the entrance.
- A parking coordinator will direct equipment trucks to their designated parking spot in the school admin lot upon arrival.

BAND CHECK-IN:

- Check-in is located on the east side of the school as buses and trucks enter from E. Mayo Blvd.
- Upon arrival a host student will greet you at the check-in tent.
- You will receive an information packet that includes maps, performance times, and wristbands.
- Your Pit Parent/Bus Chaperones will receive wristbands for stadium entry
- Wristbands for additional volunteers may be purchased at GoFan or by scanning a QR code by the spectator entrance.

PASSES:

- All bands will receive 12 wristbands per band for volunteers.

PHOTOGRAPHY:

- There will be a photographer on site taking individual photos during performances, as well as large group photos in the gym following performances. See the attached map.

WARMUP LOCATIONS AND POLICY:

- There are three assigned warm-up areas located in the quad.
- Signs will indicate warm-up areas A, B, and C. Refer to the maps for specific warm-up locations.
- Please face west when warming up.
- There are also four assigned visual warm-up areas located on the practice field south of the school service road.
- Playing or the use of any sound equipment is not permitted in the visual warm-up areas. Refer to the maps for specific warm-up locations.
- Please know your assigned times for warm-up staging and performance.

WATER STATIONS:

- Water stations are located throughout the campus near the warm-up areas and the equipment truck unloading areas.
- A water station is also available behind the home bleachers after the bands exit the stadium.
- Water stations are designated with signs and will contain coolers and paper cups.

SPECTATOR PARKING:

- Spectators will park in the lot located on the east side of the high school at the corner of Black Mountain Blvd. and E. Mayo Blvd.
- Use the entrance on Black Mountain Blvd. to enter the lot.
- Signs will be posted to identify the spectator parking entrance.
- This is the primary parking lot for Pinnacle High School

SPECTATOR ENTRANCE TO THE STADIUM:

- Spectators will enter the stadium through the main gate on the north side of the stadium, which is just south of the spectator parking area.

SPECTATOR RESTROOM LOCATION/DESCRIPTION:

- Spectator restrooms are located at the north end of the stadium near the concessions area.

PERFORMER ENTRANCE:

- Refer to the included map for performance flow.
- All performers will enter on the north side of the stadium between the spectator entrance and food trucks.
- The prop staging area is located east of the food trucks on the north side of the stadium.
- Performers will wait at the Ready Line to avoid distracting other performers.

PERFORMER EXIT:

- Refer to the included map for the performance flow.
- Upon completion of the performance, performers will exit the south side of the stadium near the end of the home team bleachers.
- After passing the bleachers, performers will then head north toward the service road.
- The service road will lead back to the equipment truck areas.

VIDEOGRAPHER:

- BravWell video will be on site filming the bands' performances. Educational copies will be provided to directors via Competition Suite.

FIRST AID LOCATION/DESCRIPTION:

- The first aid station is located on the west side of the stadium near the concessions area.
- First Aid will be under a tent and marked with signs.
- In case of an emergency, contact any staff member with a neon shirt for assistance.

MERCHANDISE & CONCESSION VENDORS:

- The concessions area is located at the north end of the stadium near the spectator entrance.
- The concession area accepts cash and cards for payment.
- Concessions will include nachos, popcorn, pretzels, chips, candy, water, soda, and sports drinks.
- A variety of food trucks will also be available just outside the stadium near the spectator entrance.
- No outside food or drink (except water) will be allowed in the stadium.

HOSPITALITY:

- Directors' Hospitality will be located in the north endzone.
- Admission to this area will be permitted only to staff members who have an official AzMBA pass.

WRISTBANDS/HANDSTAMPS:

- Wristbands must be worn by everyone, including performers, in order to enter the stadium. Spectators will be receiving handstamps or wristbands in exchange for their GoFan ticket. AzMBA provides staff badges. Please be prepared to show a wristband, badge, or handstamp to event staff for entrance. Performers in uniform will be allowed to enter the stadium.

RETREAT:

There will be a full retreat award ceremony. Please follow these guidelines for a smooth student experience:

1. Every band must be in their performance uniform (shakos optional) for the uniformed full retreat.
2. Please look at the retreat instructions and flow in this packet.
3. Instruments and props are optional. Props MUST fit within the designated band area. Please do not put large props in front of your band, but keep them in the back.
4. Bands will need to move to their assigned staging area after the final performance.
5. We ask that seniors be at the front section of the band. They will be recognized during the ceremony.
6. Drum Majors and student leaders will meet with volunteers in the assigned staging area for instruction.
7. Please be courteous to I&E performers in the stadium while staging.

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Marching Band
Booster Club**

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Welcome!

On behalf of Pinnacle High School, PHS Field Ensemble, and the PHS Marching Band Booster Club, we welcome you to the 5th Annual Pinnacle McWhorter Festival Competition.

This year, we are excited to host the AZMBA 1A Championships on November 8, 2025. We are looking forward to offering you and your band a memorable event that everyone will enjoy.

Please review the information included in this packet to ensure understanding of the bus and equipment truck entrance procedures, the performance flow, and the locations of warm-up areas and site amenities. If you have any questions, please contact us at the emails or phone numbers below.

If you have any special requests or require additional accommodations, please email president@phsfieldensemble.com 14 days prior to the event.

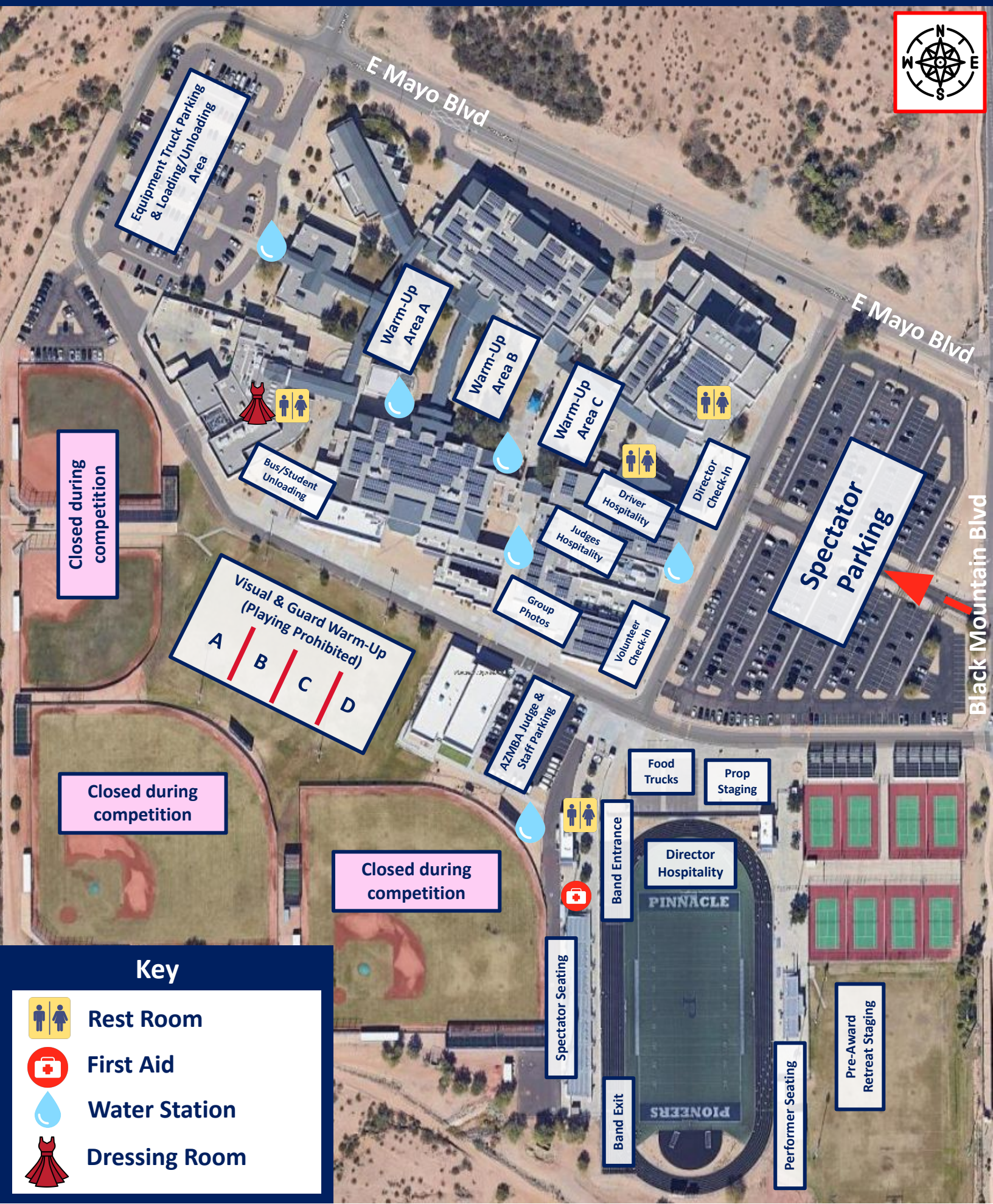
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Campus Map



Key



Rest Room



First Aid



Water Station



Dressing Room

Bus & Equipment Truck Parking

*Parking Coordinators will direct buses and equipment trucks upon arrival.

Equipment Truck Parking
& Loading/Unloading
Area

Bus/Student
Unloading



Director
Check-In

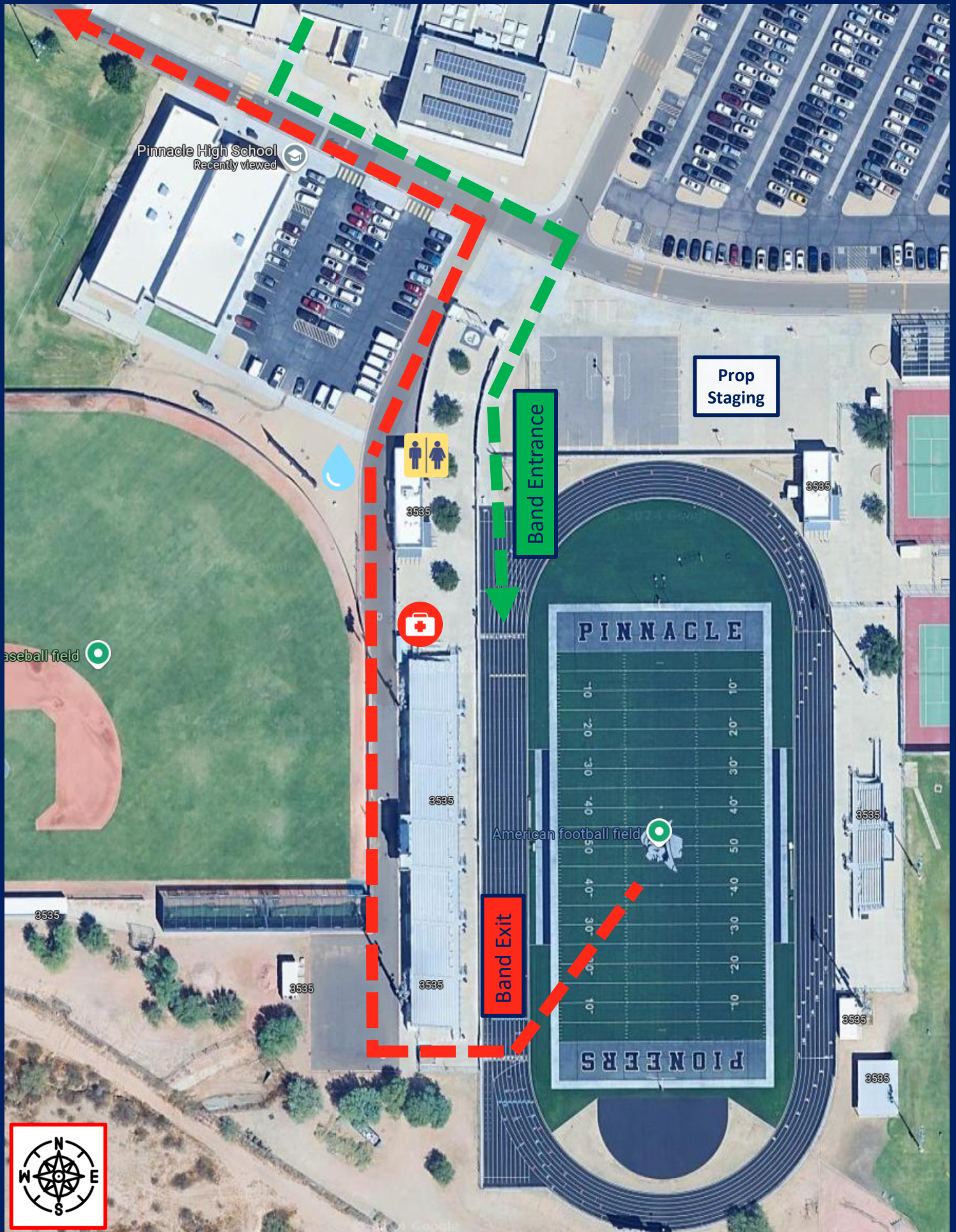
Buses and Trucks
Enter Here

Black Mountain Blvd

Black Mountain Blvd



Performance Flow



Retreat Instructions



PINNACLE

Pre-Award
Retreat Staging

Performance Time	
12:50 PM	1:02 PM
1:14 PM	1:26 PM
1:38 PM	1:50 PM
2:02 PM	2:26 PM
2:38 PM	2:50 PM
3:02 PM	3:14 PM
3:26 PM	

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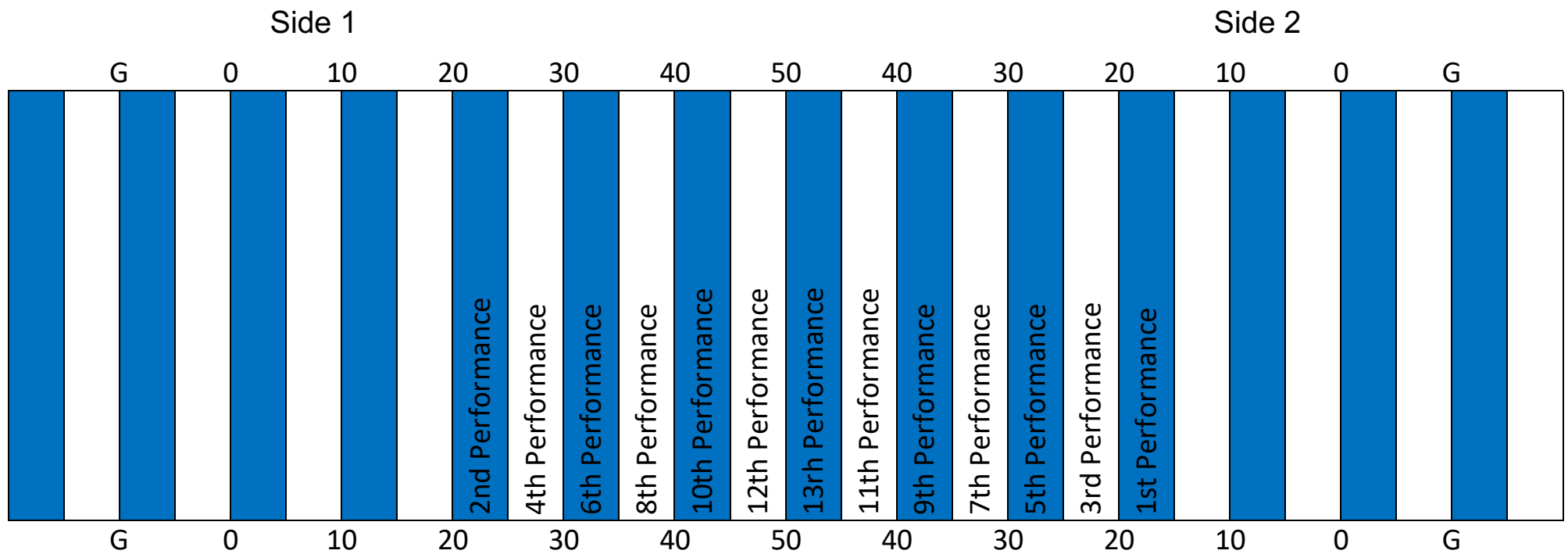
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6:06 PM	6:18 PM
6:30 PM	6:42 PM
6:54 PM	7:18 PM
7:30 PM	7:42 PM
7:54 PM	8:06 PM
8:18 PM	

Awards II

RETREAT INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Meet in staging area after the final band performance.
2. Drum Majors should be in the front of your band.
3. Review the order map and know which band you follow.
4. We will fill the field from the outside in. First performance will go to the south end of the visitor bleachers and enter the field and go south. Second performance will enter from the north end and enter the field and go north. Fill in the field at your assigned yard line. Continue this pattern until the field is filled.

AzMBA 1A Championships @ Pinnacle HS Full Retreat



Drum Major Line Up 35 to 35 yard line

Awards Table

Spectator Seating





Weather Action Plan for AzMBA

Weather Condition	Action Required	Responsible Person	Equipment Needed	Timeline for Action	Notes
Cold Weather (below 50°F)	Provide warm-up areas, ensure students have adequate layers.	Director, Medical Team, AzMBA Staff, Event Host	Jackets, heated blankets	1 hour before performance	Encourage performers to keep warm during downtime.
Sunny/Hot (95°F+)	Ensure hydration stations are available, frequent breaks for performers, encourage light clothing.	Director, Medical Team	Water bottles, shade tents, ice packs	Start 2 hours before performance	Provide sunscreen and cooling towels.
Extreme Heat (105°F+)	Implement heat safety measures: shaded rest areas, frequent hydration breaks.	Director, Medical Team, AzMBA Staff, Event Host	Extra water, electrolyte drinks, shaded tents	Start 2-3 hours before performance	Monitor performers for signs of heatstroke.
High Winds (20+ mph)	Secure all props and equipment, check safety of tent structures.	Event Host, Directors, Staff	Sandbags, tie-downs for equipment	1 hour before performance	Check wind forecast throughout the day.
Dust Storm (Visibility < 1 mile)	Halt performance until visibility improves, ensure safe shelter for everyone.	AzMBA Staff, Event Host	Sand bags, shelter areas	Immediate action	Delay event if dust storm reduces visibility to unsafe levels.
Scattered Thunderstorms	Monitor weather radar, delay if needed, ensure lightning safety protocol is followed.	AzMBA Staff, Event Host	Lightning detection system, shelter areas	As soon as thunder is heard	Delay performance if lightning is within 10 miles.
Rain (Light and Intermittent)	Have waterproof covers for equipment, ensure safe water drainage on the field.	Director, Staff, AzMBA Staff, Event Host	Rain covers, tarps, water pumps	30 minutes before performance	Consider changing uniforms to rain gear.
Rain (Moderate)	Suspend performance until conditions improve, move band to indoor shelter if possible.	Director, Staff, AzMBA Staff, Event Host	Indoor facility (if available)	120 minutes before performance	Consider moving event indoors.
Heavy Rain/Flooding	Cancellation of event	Director, Staff, AzMBA Staff, Event Host	N/A	Immediate action	Cancellation of event

Additional Considerations

Hydration & Health Monitoring:

- Ensure regular checks for signs of heat exhaustion or dehydration.
- Set up emergency hydration stations.
- Medical team should be on-site and on alert for heat-related issues.

Safety Protocols for Lightning:

- If lightning is within 10 miles, performance must be halted and performers should seek shelter immediately.

Communication Plan:

- Keep all staff, including performers, informed of weather conditions.
- Use radios or text alerts for real-time updates.

Backup Plan for Extreme Weather:

- Consider moving to a covered indoor location for performances if possible.
- Reschedule performances in case of severe weather conditions that cannot be avoided.



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