



ARIZONA MARCHING BAND ASSOCIATION

TO: AzMBA 3A/5A Bands

FROM: Championship Committee

3A/5A Class Championships Hamilton High School

Presented by



On behalf of AzMBA, we would like to welcome you to the 2025 3A/5A Class Championships, hosted by Hamilton 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:

3700 S Arizona Ave., Chandler, AZ 85248

- **Note: Exit 47 for Arizona Avenue is closed.** From 202 East, take exit 46 for McQueen Road and turn left. Proceed south on McQueen Road to Germann Road, and turn right onto Germann Rd. Proceed east on Germann Road to Arizona Avenue and turn left onto Arizona Avenue. Proceed south on Arizona Ave to Appleby Road and turn right. Follow the signs and instructions from volunteers to proceed to bus unloading, unit check-in, and equipment unloading.
- **Note: Exit 47 for Arizona Avenue is closed.** From 202 West, take exit 48 for Alma School Road and turn right. Proceed south on Alma School Road to Germann Road, and turn left. Proceed west on Germann Road to Arizona Avenue and turn right onto Arizona Avenue. Proceed south on Arizona Avenue to Appleby Road, and turn right onto Appleby Rd. Follow the signs and instructions from volunteers to proceed to bus unloading, unit check-in, and equipment unloading.
- From I-10 West, take exit 175 to AZ-587. Follow AZ-587 until E Hunt Highway. Continue straight onto AZ-87/Arizona Avenue. Proceed North on AZ-87/Arizona Avenue to Appleby Road and turn left. Follow the signs and instructions from volunteers to proceed to bus unloading, unit check-in and equipment unloading.

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 enter on Appleby Road. Take the second left nearest the tennis courts and proceed into the bus flow as shown on the map. Volunteers will be there to assist.

BUS PARKING LOCATION/DESCRIPTION:

- Bus parking will take place on the west side of campus. Following unloading, enter the loop and proceed back to Appleby Road (just past the tennis courts). Follow Appleby Rd., and turn left on the road just past the baseball field. Turn right into the first parking lot, as marked on the map; volunteers will be there to direct you.

EQUIPMENT UNLOADING:

- Equipment trucks enter on Appleby Road. Take the second left nearest the tennis courts and proceed into the equipment truck flow as shown on the map. Volunteers will be there to assist.

TRUCK/TRAILER PARKING LOCATION/DESCRIPTION:

- Equipment truck parking will take place on the west side of campus. Following unloading, exit the parking lot onto Appleby Road and turn left. Proceed to the entrance just before the tennis courts and turn right onto Appleby Road. Follow Appleby and turn left into the parking lot just past the baseball field. Proceed past the first parking lot (bus parking) to the second lot, as marked on the map. Volunteers will be there to assist.
- **Note:** Groups that perform between 1:00 pm and 3:40 pm will move their equipment trucks from the truck parking to the access road on the west side of campus after loading equipment.

BAND CHECK-IN:

- Band Check-In will occur on the north side of campus, adjacent to bus unloading, as marked on the map. Volunteers will be there to assist.

PASSES:

- All bands will receive 16 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 east parking lot in front of the aquatics center following performances. See the attached map.

WARMUP LOCATIONS AND POLICY:

- Warmup Areas are between the tennis courts and the main school building, adjacent to equipment unloading. Warmup A is closest to the tennis courts, Warmup C is closest to Appleby Road, with Warmup B in between the two. All Warmup areas will be marked. Please play facing northwest.

WATER STATIONS:

- There will be three water stations located throughout the campus:
 - One will be located at warmup
 - One will be located at the Band Entrance
 - One will be located at the Band Exit

SPECTATOR PARKING:

- Spectators will enter the student parking lot off of Arizona Avenue on the east side of campus. The light for the parking lot is across the street from the Target parking lot. The spectator parking lot will be marked with a sign.
 - If you're traveling south on Arizona Avenue, the light is just past the main school building. You will turn right into the parking lot.
 - If you're traveling north on Arizona Avenue, the light is past the student parking lot. You will turn left into the parking lot.

SPECTATOR ENTRANCE TO THE STADIUM:

- The spectator entrance to the stadium is located at the north gate.

SPECTATOR RESTROOM LOCATION/DESCRIPTION:

- The spectator restroom is located at the concessions stand in the northeast corner of the stadium.

PERFORMER ENTRANCE:

- The performer entrance is at the northwest gate.

PERFORMER EXIT:

- The performer exit is at the southeast gate. Props and pit equipment will proceed past this gate to the ramp to exit. There will be a volunteer to assist.

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:

- First aid is located in the southeast corner of the stadium

MERCHANDISE & CONCESSION VENDORS:

- The concession stand is located in the northeast corner of the stadium. Kona Ice, Ava's Kettlecorn, and Chick-fil-A will all be on campus as well.

HOSPITALITY:

- Director hospitality is located at the north end of the stadium. We also have a bus driver hospitality tent/lounge located at the northwest corner of the stadium, next to the visitor concession stand.

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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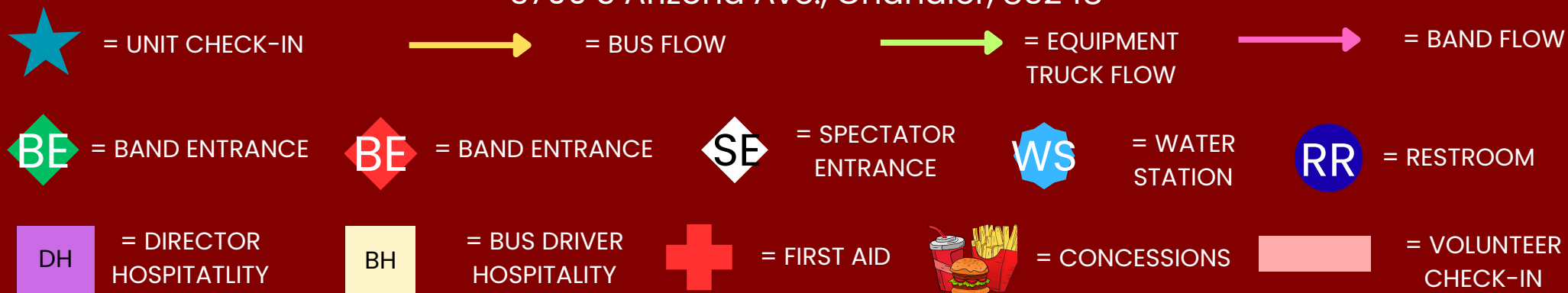
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RETREAT STAGING

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1ST SEED 5A - 8:15 PM
2ND SEED 5A - 8:00 PM
3RD SEED 5A - 7:45 PM
4TH SEED 5A - 7:20 PM
5TH SEED 5A - 7:05 PM
6TH SEED 5A - 6:50 PM
7TH SEED 5A - 6:35 PM
1ST SEED 3A - 5:05 PM
2ND SEED 3A - 4:50 PM
3RD SEED 3A - 4:35 PM
4TH SEED 3A - 4:20 PM
5TH SEED 3A - 4:05 PM
6TH SEED 3A - 3:40 PM
7TH SEED 3A - 3:25 PM
8TH SEED 3A - 3:10 PM
9TH SEED 3A - 2:55 PM
10TH SEED 3A - 2:40 PM
11TH SEED 3A - 2:15 PM
12TH SEED 3A - 2:00 PM
13TH SEED 3A - 1:45 PM
14TH SEED 3A - 1:30 PM
15TH SEED 3A - 1:15 PM
16TH SEED 3A - 1:00PM

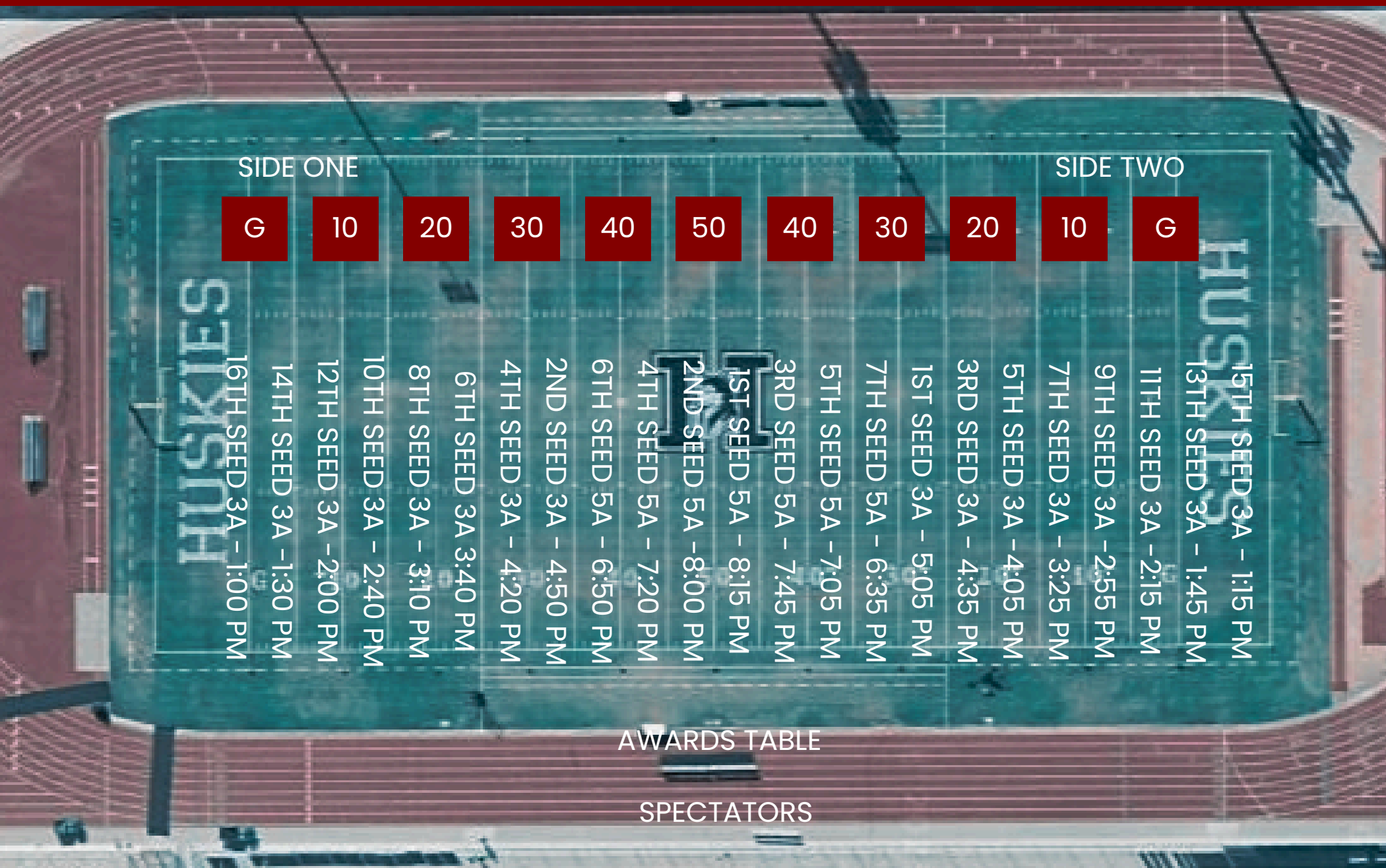
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RETREAT FLOW

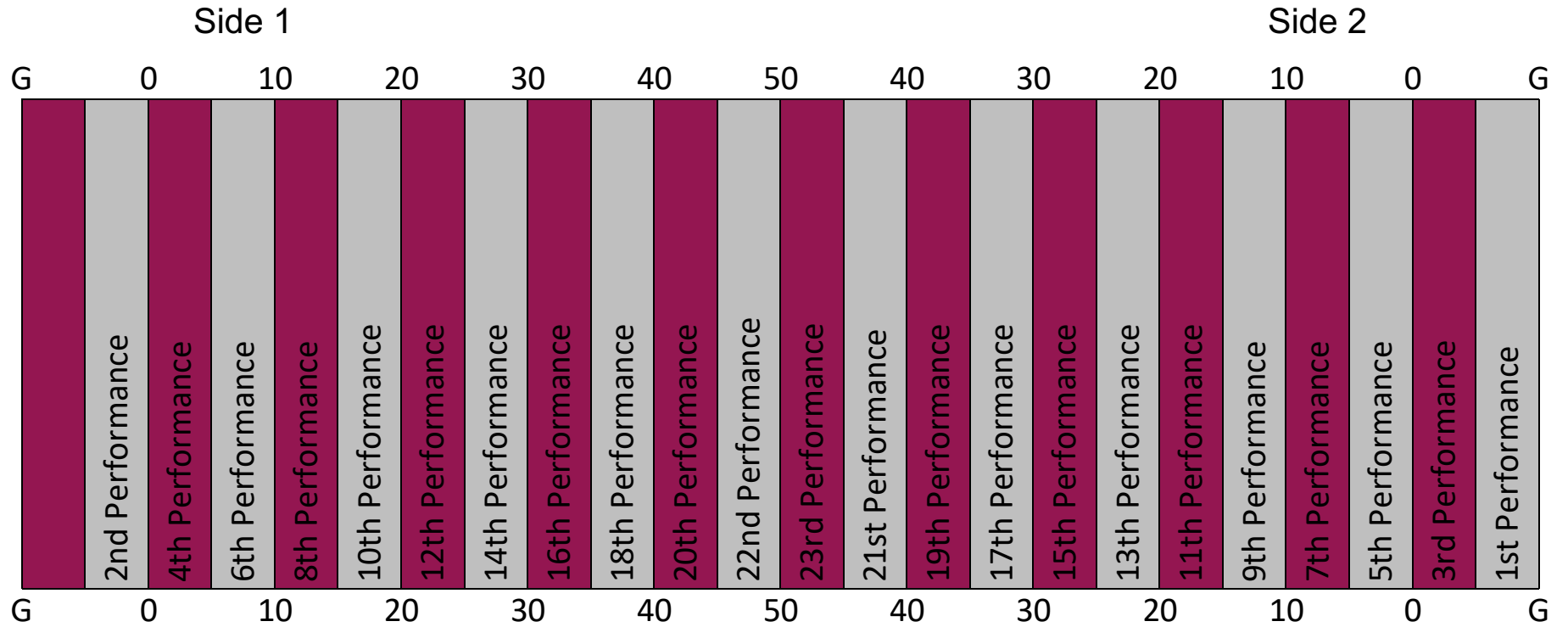


- IF YOU CHOOSE TO BRING A PROP, IT MUST BE EASILY TRANSPORTED AND FIT IN YOUR AREA ON THE FIELD
- LINE UP IN PERFORMANCE ORDER FACING WEST
- LINE 'UNZIPS' AS IT ARRIVES AT THE BACK 50 WITH DIRECTION FROM AZMBA STAFF
- PROCESS TOWARDS YOUR CONE/LANE AND CROSS THE FIELD TOWARDS THE HOME BLEACHERS

Retreat Diagram



AzMBA 3A/5A Championships @ Hamilton 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.

AZMBA 3A/5A CHAMPIONSHIPS

CONCESSIONS

\$5 Nachos
Pretzels
All Beef Hot Dogs
Fresh Zzeeks Pizza (Cheese/Pepperoni)



\$3 Bomb Pops
Ice Cream Sandwiches
Push Pops
Gatorade



\$2 Soda (Coke, Diet Coke, Coke Zero, Sprite, Dr. Pepper)
Popcorn or Chips
Bottled Water
Hot Chocolate
Cup-O-Noodles
Dill Pickles
Assorted Candy



- Kettle Corn
- Funnel Cakes
- Lemonade

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