

UIL Updates for Marching Band Region 27-Fall 2021

- I. Pandemic Adjustments for Marching Band:** For 2021, marching bands will be receiving 20 hours of cumulative practice on visual fundamentals prior to August 1st, and the 2021 state marching band championships will be held for all six conferences. In addition, students who has been diagnosed with COVID-19 must receive clearance from a physician prior to returning to participation in UIL marching band or athletic activities.

- II. New Marching Band Adjudication Sheets.** The new marching band adjudication sheets are available on the UIL Website-Marching Band Page and will be utilized starting this year at every region, area and state contest. All sheets are now 2 pages (or front/back), page 2 is the new rubric. This is the region sheet.

https://www.uilTEXAS.org/files/music/Region_Marching_Adjudication_Sheets.pdf

- III. Region Marching Band Statement of Compliance - C&CR Section 1105:** To be completed when the Region Marching Band Contest entry is done and emailed to me. The form is on the marching page of the website. Note: In 2021 marching bands were granted 20 hours of visual fundamentals prior to August 1, but the form will not be updated to reflect that pandemic related adjustment.

https://www.uilTEXAS.org/files/music/Directors_Compliance_Update_2016.pdf

- IV. Region Marching Band Contest Entry on TX Music Forms-**Requires that an intent to advance be declared; and, on eligible years (which is all conferences in 2021) requires schools declaring the intent to advance to choose either: military class or open class.

- V. Marching Band Director Safety Training:** State Law requires that every marching band director annually complete a safety training course.

<https://www.uilTEXAS.org/music/marching-band-safety-training>

VI. Region/Area Marching Band Inclement Weather Plans and Date: Each Region and Area is to follow local ground rules for events held at a venue.

Rain Dates:

3A-5A October 21

6A October 26

VII. Wireless Frequencies for Marching Band Contests: The contest host should make every effort possible to ensure non-essential wireless frequencies in a venue are turned off and any active frequencies are communicated to the participating bands in advance of the contest. There will be no “restarts”, delays” or “do-overs” due to any issue related to electronics.

VIII. Marching Band Video Educational Use Agreement: Once annually, schools participating in UIL marching band contests wishing to make an educational use video of their performance at a UIL contest are to complete the Educational Use Agreement here. The contest host should designate an area for videographers at each contest venue. This designated area may be in the press box, or any other appropriate area determined by host. <https://www.uiltexas.org/machform/view.php?id=388184>