

2021-22 AREA C MARCHING CONTEST

GENERAL INFORMATION UIL Regions 4, 9, 10, 19, 21, 33

The following information is for **2A, 3A, and 4A** band directors who have been certified by their Region UIL Executive Secretary for the 2021 Area C Marching Contest.

3A OPEN CONTEST

DATE: The Area C 3A Contest is scheduled to be on Saturday, October 23, 2021, at Lindale High School. The bad weather option is to move the contest to the indoor facility at Lindale High School using the same schedule as much as possible. Alternate day sites were pursued, but not available.

WEATHER INTERRUPTIONS: The weather will be monitored with a lightning detector during the contest. The field and stands might have to be vacated. Additionally, there could be a thirty-minute delay, or the contest could be postponed. If we have unsafe weather, we will move the contest to the indoor facility at Lindale HS. The field is 100 yards long with about four feet past each goal. It is full width. More info will be available if needed.

I estimate we'll have about thirty-five 3A bands certify (including military) and twenty-three 3A Open Class bands compete. Prelims will start about 10:30am and end about 5:45pm. 3A finals should start about 6:45 and results announced about 10:30pm.

Remember, this is an ESTIMATE.

2A/4A OPEN CONTEST

DATE: The Area C 2A/4A Contest is scheduled to be on Saturday, October 30, 2021, at Lindale High School. The bad weather option is to move the contest to the indoor facility at Lindale High School using the same schedule as much as possible.

WEATHER INTERRUPTIONS: The weather will be monitored with a lightning detector during the contest. The field and stands might have to be vacated. Additionally, there could be a thirty-minute delay, or the contest could be postponed. If we have unsafe weather, we will move the contest to the indoor facility at Lindale HS. The field is 100 yards long with about four feet past each goal. It is full width. More info will be available if needed.

2A ESTIMATES: I estimate we'll have about fifteen 2A bands certify (including military) and six 2A Open Class bands compete. 2a prelim performances should start about 9:45am and end about 11:15. 2A finals should start about 4:45pm & results announced at 6:30. If fifteen certify, all six bands will make finals.

4A ESTIMATES: I estimate about twenty-nine 4A bands certify (including military) and fourteen 4A Open Class bands compete. 4A prelims should start about 12:15 and end about 4:00. 4A finals should start about 7:15 and results announced at 10:30.

Again, these are ESTIMATES.

THE FOLLOWING IS REQUIRED:

- ☐ Text or Email me immediately after certification whether or not your band is coming to Area.
- ☐ Signed AREA OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM This form also serves as invoice. (*available on Region 21/Area C web site*)
- ☐ AREA (ANNOUNCER'S) UIL MARCHING BAND SCRIPT (*available on Region 21 Area C web site*)
- ☐ UIL MARCHING BAND EDUCATIONAL USE VIDEO AGREEMENT (*email receipt*)
- ☐ Additionally, please bring a school check for \$350.00 made out to **UIL AREA C MUSIC EVENTS** c/o Mike Bullock (*Invoice [Entry Form] and W-9 available on Region 21 Area C web site*)

Documents can be sent via:

- Scan and email to mikebullock@me.com
- Or take pictures and text to 903 258-0832 (when photographing forms, sheet must be on a flat dark surface, showing all 4 corners)
- US Mail is not an option because of the delivery time

GENERAL INFORMATION

1. The contest will be conducted according to the rules of the *UIL Constitution & Contest Rules*. Please read and understand the rules prior to attending the contest. Directors should review Section 1106: Area Marching Band Contest, as posted on the UIL State web site.
2. After making a first division (certification) at Region, directors must immediately text or otherwise notify Mike Bullock of their intentions and official entries must be submitted within 24 hours, or by the following Monday, in case of a Saturday contest.
3. The contest schedule should be posted the third day after the final Region Contest (if timely notification by directors of all certified bands is made.) The order of bands is determined by a combination of the FileMaker Pro randomize tool and distance.
4. Admission for all spectators is \$5.00 per person. Bus drivers & school administrators will be admitted free with presentation of school ID. Children 6 and under are also free. However, band chaperones must have chaperone passes. Passes will be given to directors as you arrive at contest. Please limit these complimentary passes to your bus chaperones. Each band student and departing spectator may have his/her hand stamped for reentry into the stadium.
5. **CONTEST TIMING** is where bands will be most vulnerable for a mandated disqualification. Please review the C&CR rules regarding timing. Details of the timing procedures are included in Local Ground Rules (*posted on Region 21 Area C web site*). We will operate on a 15-minute schedule.
6. Video will be provided by MEDIA SERVICES of Lufkin. All bands will receive a video.
7. Prelim comment sheets and recordings will be available to directors **ONLY AFTER** all bands in their class have performed. Judge comments will be on a jump drive, so bring proper equipment if you would like to hear comments & watch video.
8. There will be a break at the end of Prelims. At this time, one director from each band will meet to review the ranking of the bands. All protests must be made prior to the announcement of the results.
9. After the Prelims, the Drum Majors of all bands will assemble on the press box side of the field during this tabulation time. Drum Majors should be in full uniform. They will be introduced and presented a participation plaque, and bands that will be advancing to the Finals will be announced.
10. At the end of Finals, we will have a **RETREAT** of finalist bands. More info will posted as soon as it is available. During retreat, one director from each band will meet to review the ranking of the bands. All protests must be made prior to the announcement of the results. Finals ranking and those bands advancing to State will then be announced.

If you need any additional information or have any questions, contact your Region Executive Secretary or Mike Bullock, e-mail: mikebullock@me.com During the Contest, you may contact me on my cell phone; (903) 258-0832.

Best Wishes and Good Luck!
Mike Bullock
Exec Sec, UIL Area C 2A-4A