

Festival of Bands Parade & Field Competition

Sioux Falls, SD

Saturday, October 5th, 2024

Make sure you have: Full uniform (shoes, **black** socks, bibs, ALL parts of jacket, shako, shako wrap, gloves and gauntlets), change of clothes for bus, deodorant, jacket (for evening), snacks, WATER (NO ENERGY DRINKS OR SODA), and instrument (including valve oil, reeds, etc.)

**You will want to bring money for the Mall and for concessions at the stadium. If you would rather bring a sack lunch, that is fine too.

6:30am – Arrive and begin loading bus (We will not have time to change into our uniforms when we arrive so **you must** load the bus in full uniform. Have your helmet ready to go with wrap and plume. Small instruments on the bus out of their case. Only guard, tubas, drumline instruments under the bus.)

7:00am – Depart for Sioux Falls

8:00am – Arrive at parade lineup/registration (unload bus quickly)

8:20am – Stretch/Warmup

9:45am – Pipestone Marching Arrows Compete in Class AA Parade!!! Line up 9:15am Parade starts at 8:30am

10:15am – Return to bus. Hydrate and eat a snack at this time!! (Keep uniforms on)

11:30am – Warmup at Site A

noon – March to Howard Wood

12:30pm – Pipestone Marching Arrows Compete in Class AA Field! (Field starts at 10am)

12:45am – March back to bus and change into street clothes (Class A & AA awards are at 2:30pm) (Drum Major reports for awards at Northwest Corner of Field House 2:15pm)

3:00pm – Load bus and go to Terrace park. A burger meal will be provided. Bring blankets to sit on and things to do at the park.

6:30pm – Load Bus and head back to Howard Wood to prepare to compete in or watch finals performances!

10:30pm – Finals Awards

11:00pm – Load bus and depart for Pipestone

11:45pm – Arrive at PAS

**Keep a couple things in mind. Everyone knows who we are and what school we represent. Show your Arrow Pride and be the band members other directors want. Be role models and leaders for your peers and other groups. From the moment you step off of the bus, you are being judged by clinicians, parents, band directors, students, etc. Make SMART choices because your actions reflect not only on you, but the entire band. Remember you are representing your band, school, and town. Be proud of who you are and where you come from! You are all awesome and talented individuals and as a group you are mighty!

Go Arrows!!

Dr. Ploeger

Any infraction of the rules concerning alcohol, tobacco or drugs will result in immediate transportation home at your parents' expense and consequences listed by the Minnesota State High School League apply. **Don't take a chance, it's not worth it. Appropriate behavior is required!