

Welcome to the 1st Annual Georgia Contest of Champions. We trust that your stay here will be enjoyable. Below is information that will assist you throughout this event and as you prepare for your day.

**Director/Staff Passes:** Each band will receive a name tag for each band director and tickets for all staff members. Staff tickets are based on the information you sent in your registration and will be available at the check-in table in your packet. If you need additional staff tickets, please contact Jeffrey Rowser at: [Jrowser@jackson.k12.ga.us](mailto:Jrowser@jackson.k12.ga.us) directly for approval.

**Chaperone Passes:** Each band receives a chaperone pass based on a one pass per ten students. In addition, field crew passes are given on a one pass per twenty students plus one pass per truck driver. Additional chaperone/field crew passes may be purchased at check-in for \$5.00 (gate is \$8.00). After check-in, chaperone passes will not be available at the discounted rate.

**Bus Driver Passes:** All bus drivers will receive a bus driver pass. This pass allows admission into the festival and the bus driver hospitality room. The bus driver hospitality room is located in the Varsity Gym.

**Student Passes:** All band members will be stamped upon arrival at the festival. Please keep your students on the buses when you arrive so we can make sure their hands are stamped.

**Arrival:** In order to allow for time to park, check-in, and take care of other needs you may have, please plan on arriving at least one hour before your Warm-Up time.

**Check-In Process:** The check-in table is located at the front of the school and will be clearly marked. Please submit the following at check-in: GCC Announcement sheet and the Critical Absentee List. Please be sure these forms are easy to read for our announcer. You will receive a map of the school, event schedule, and all passes/badges for your group. You will receive your performance bond and will need to sign that you have received this check.

**Dressing Rooms and Rest Rooms:** Dressing rooms and restrooms are available in the Gymnasium Building. Each dressing room has bathrooms available for your students to use during this time. While in the stadium, several bathrooms are available for all to use.

**Warm-up:** Each band has a designated warm-up time and warm-up space. Please look at the school map for your specific area. Bands, drum lines, front ensembles, and auxiliaries may NOT warm-up in the equipment parking area. Doing so interferes with the performances on field and will create problems for the judges. If you wish to have your front ensembles warm-up with the band, please let our equipment people know.

**Map of EJCHS and to EJCHS:** Enclosed in the director's packets are maps of the school and to EJCHS. The school map shows the entrance for buses and equipment trailers. Please be sure to give a copy of these maps to your bus drivers and equipment truck drivers.

**Awards:** The contest awards begin at 9:00. Student leaders/officers should be on the field to accept awards. Bands will be assigned a place on the field according to division. This information will be included in your packet upon arrival to EJCHS.

**THANKS FOR YOUR ATTENDANCE AT THE GEORGIA CONTEST OF CHAMPIONS! WE ARE HONORED TO SERVE YOU TODAY AND HOPE YOU WILL HAVE A FANTASTIC EXPERIENCE!!!**