

What to Expect at Field Show Competitions

Who: Marching band and Color Guard Students

What: The Marching Band and Color Guard compete with similar size bands at 4 Field Show Competitions each fall. These competitions are music shows where the students move around the field in coordinated patterns and are judged on music, marching, and visual performance.

Where: To be determined. All students meet at SPHS music room before transporting by bus to the competitions.

When: Call time varies. Students need to be ready to rehearse before the call time.

Food/Drink: Varies upon rehearsal/competition schedule. Occasionally lunch or dinner will be ordered for students who bring payment. Information regarding meals will be provided at least one week prior to the competition. Meal order forms will be posted on this website. Water is provided and students may not eat in uniform.

Clothing: The Marching Band uniform is provided for students. Clothing to be worn under uniform includes: marching band t-shirt (or moisture-wicking shirt in black or navy blue), athletic-type shorts that do not bunch up under the uniform pants, calf-length or higher black socks without any emblems, and clean marching shoes. Color Guard students need to follow your coach's instructions regarding clothing.

Anything else?: Students also need to bring lyre and flip folder, pencil, instrument, coordinates, and music.

Parent information: Parents are greatly encouraged to attend these competitions to cheer on our performers. When there is a large group of SPHS parents in the stands all wearing SP blue and gold, the students perform better and with more energy! Think of these competitions as concerts that move -- and the difference in the level of performance between the first show and the last is remarkable. Parents are required to pay admission to the shows for themselves and any other family members who come also as well as drive themselves to the location.

Pit Crew: Parents are needed to serve as the Pit Crew which helps move the larger equipment onto and off the field within a time limit as required by competition rules. Pit Crew parents do not usually have to pay entrance fees, but are needed to be at every competition and to stay the entire time.