World Class

Festival of Symphonic Winds

Program Guidelines

1. The festival is open to High School groups with a minimum of 20 performers. Middle school groups may be permitted with special permission from World Class Chairperson.
2. Groups may enter for Comments Only or Ratings and may elect to participate in a mini-clinic immediately after the performance. Only groups that enter for Ratings will be eligible for award distinctions.
3. There is no required music list; however, groups are encouraged to select music of the highest quality. It is advisable to choose selections comparable to those found on state or national lists. The director must provide original scores (no photo copies allowed unless authorized by the publisher) of each selection labeled with the name of the school and with measures numbered
4. **Groups will perform two or three works not to exceed a performance time of twenty minutes.** Groups will be scheduled in twenty-five minute blocks to allow for transitions to and from the stage to the clinic session. There will be twenty minutes available for warm-up.
5. Groups should arrive twenty minutes prior to warm-up in their concert attire and the Director should check in in at the Registration table upon arrival.
6. The performances will be adjudicated by three experienced judges. Each judge will provide a alphabetic assessment and recorded comments. Groups will receive a rating based on the following scale: GOLD (Straight A’s), SILVER (A’s & B’s), BRONZE (Straight B’s), and BLUE (B’s & C’s).
7. Each group will receive a specially designed plaque to commemorate its level of achievement. **All plaques will be sent to the school within 2 weeks after festival, as long as all financial obligations have been cleared.** Adjudicator packets will be distributed at the conclusion of the program. If you are unable to attend the awards ceremony, please indicate that at registration.
8. Equipment provided: podium, chairs, stands, four timpani, chimes, xylophone, vibes, marimba and concert bass drum with stand.