



Southwestern Oklahoma State University
Music Department
September 1, 2010

Dear Band Director:

Hope everything is going well and that your year is off to a great start!

Southwestern Oklahoma State University will host its annual Street Marching Competition for junior high and senior high school bands as part of its 2010 Homecoming activities on Saturday, October 16, 2010.

The parade will begin at **3:00 P.M.** and the contest will consist of street marching only. First and second place trophies will be awarded in each class. (Classification of bands will be the same as the Oklahoma Secondary School Activities Association classifications.) **In addition, cash awards will be made to the outstanding high school and junior high school bands.**

There is **no entry fee** for the competition.

All bands, directors, chaperones and bus drivers are invited to attend the Southwestern vs Northeastern State University football game at **6:00 P.M.** free of charge.

A brand new part of homecoming this year will be the massed band pre-game. The massed bands will play “America the Beautiful” and “The Star Spangled Banner” together during the pre-game ceremony. After the parade, those bands who wish to participate will meet at Milam Stadium for a 4:15 rehearsal with the SWOSU band. After the rehearsal, the SWOSU Alumni Foundation is providing hot dogs, chips, and soft drinks for your students. **We will present the parade awards during the meal in the stands at Milam Stadium.**

The entry deadline for the Southwestern Homecoming Street Marching Competition is September 14, 2010. PLEASE NOTE: Entries received after this date may not be permitted to participate in the competition but will be welcome to march in the parade. Further information concerning details of the contest and the massed band pre-game will be forwarded after that date to those returning the enclosed entry form. Information and music will also be available on the web site at www.swosu.edu/music.

We look forward to seeing you and your group on October 16, 2010.

Sincerely,

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