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Directors,

The Channelview Independent School District and Fine Arts Department would like to welcome you to Channelview High School and Ray Maddy Stadium (828 Sheldon Rd, Channelview, TX 77530) on Saturday November 14th, 2020. Admission will be \$5 at the gate for anyone over the age of 6. Kids under the age of 6 will be admitted for free. Administrators and transportation will be admitted for free as long they have their district ID's.

The official schedule will be listed on the Region 19 website under Contest Schedules/Results. All maps of CHS and Maddy stadium will also be included on the website. That website is <https://region19uilmusic.com/>. Due to COVID-19 safety measures, there will be no inside warmup available. All warmup areas will be outside.

Buses will enter off of Sheldon Rd into the Stadium parking lot by the CVISD Administration building at 828 Sheldon Rd. Please instruct all equipment trucks/buses to follow behind the student buses into the parking area. Parking parents will assist you with parking once you have turned into the parking lot. All students and equipment will be unloaded in the athletic parking area. Please see the maps on the website for assistance.

Student monitors will meet your band in the student drop-off parking area approximately 30 minutes before your scheduled warm-up time. There will be restrooms available for small groups at a time to allow social distancing. Please save restroom breaks for emergencies only due to COVID-19 safety measures. Band monitors will assist you in finding warm-up, field entrance gate, field exit and locating your buses at the conclusion of your performance. CISD staff members will assist in monitoring warm-up, field entrance/exit gates and the front sideline should you have any questions during the course of the contest. Wristbands will not be given out this year. We are requesting that once your group performs, your organization departs for home. We will have 30-minute time blocks to allow spectators to enter and exit before and after each group. Please inform your parents that we will require the stands to be emptied between groups to sanitize the blocked off area.

The current UIL Constitution & Contest Rules for this event will be in effect. Take time to carefully review all rules and any changes in preparation for the event. You may review this document online at <http://www.uil texas.org/policy/constitution>

Please remember the following:

1. Do not play unless in the designated warm-up areas in the gyms or teacher parking lot at your designated times. Groups electing to warm-up in the teacher parking lot must do so within their scheduled time and must leave warm-up an additional 5 minutes early to travel to the gate and arrive on time. Additional time is not provided for electing to warm-up outside in the teacher parking lots.
2. Front Ensembles will have a designated area to warm-up and may do so only when bands are not performing. A contest official will assist when monitoring mallet percussion warm-up, but it is ultimately the responsibility of each participating organization to strictly adhere to the policy of warming up only when bands are not performing on the field. This is a courtesy to all bands performing and spectators alike. The UIL Executive Secretary has made the directive that front ensembles are not to be heard from the press box so as not to distract from the groups performing. This will be strictly enforced.

3. The contest office is located in the press box. No one is allowed in the press box except for contest officials, competing band directors and school administrators. **To limit exposure to multiple people, we are limiting visitors in the press box to one band director per band.**

Spectator parking is free and available off of Sheldon Rd. Additional parking will be provided across the street in the Early Childhood Center parking lot. The spectator entrance is located at the south end of the stadium.

No video recording will be allowed from inside the press box, on the press box video deck or within the area designated for the judges. To be compliant with copyright laws, there will be a professional video recording but you must have submitted your form online to UIL at

http://www.uiltexas.org/files/music/Marching_Band_Copyright_Information_.pdf . This must be done a week prior to the contest. There will also be a designated area for ONE representative from each school to record for your band. They may not record any other band. Setup and teardown time will be minimum, so please make sure they are aware of time constraints. This area will be at the top of the stands slightly off from where the judges are setup so please stay quiet.

The grilling of food on CISD property is strictly prohibited. No open fire grills (gas, charcoal, smoker cookers, etc.) may be used. The CISD Band Boosters will have a large selection of food available in the concession stands. **There will be no concession stand due to COVID-19**

DUE TO COVID-19- Different from previous years, we are asking bands, staff and parents to depart as soon as their band is done performing. We also ask that only one director from each school visit the press box/UIL office to drop off paperwork and receive UIL exit packet. If UIL Marching Contest arrives and COVID conditions have improved, we will send amended information.

Please make sure all students, parents and staff follow CDC, state and county guidelines for safety.

- Masks must be worn at all times unless playing an instrument
- Socially distance by 6 feet at all times
- Avoid unnecessary contact with staff, volunteers or spectators

We wish you the best of luck for a smooth and successful marching event. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

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