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Region 2 East Zone Middle School Band Directors:

The staff and officers of the Ryan Band program are proud to host your UIL Concert and Sight-reading event at Ryan High School on **Wednesday, March 11, 2015**. All of the details regarding the contest site are included below. Please read this information carefully and contact me if you have any questions regarding the site. If you have any questions regarding UIL matters, please contact the Region 2 Executive Secretary, Larry Kingsley 940-727-8321, Kingsley@ntin.net. We look forward to serving you and hearing your bands. We wish everyone the very best!

Respectfully,

Eddy Russell
Director of Bands
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CONTEST INFORMATION FOR DIRECTORS:

I. Set-up Chart

A set-up chart is available on the UIL Region 2 website. **Please send me your set-up chart by Friday, March 6.** You may email it to erussell@dentonisd.org or fax it to my attention at **940-369-4960**. Please be sure to indicate the total number of chairs and stands needed for each row and please accurately draw the location of all items (including percussion music stands). Also indicate the placement of percussion equipment. We have 6-inch and 12-inch risers (4' x 8' Wenger) available if needed. Please indicate the riser height you need and show their placement on your set-up chart. We will have set-up crews on stage and in the sight-reading room that will do their best follow your set-up chart as closely as possible. **Please be accurate on your set-up chart so that we can have everything ready for you when you enter the stage.**

II. Percussion Equipment

Ryan HS will have the following percussion instruments available for your use on stage: 5 timpani, 2 marimbas, 2 xylophones, 2 vibraphones, 2 bells, chimes, bass drum, and large gong/tam-tam. For the sight-reading room, we will provide timpani, bells, and bass drum. Be sure to check the UIL website for the sight-reading instrumentation. **You will need to provide all other percussion equipment not listed above.** You will also need to provide all of your own sticks and mallets.

III. Directions to Ryan High School, 5101 E. McKinney St. Denton, TX 76208

Traveling north on I-35W from Ft. Worth:

Option 1: Take exit 85A onto I-35E in Denton and travel south. Take exit 463 at Loop 288, turn left and travel north approx. 2.5 miles. Turn right at McKinney St. and travel east approx. 1 mile. Ryan High School will be on the left. Turn left at Ryan Way stoplight.

Option 2: From I-35W, take exit 470 and turn right onto Loop 288 and travel east 8 miles. Turn left at McKinney St. and travel east approx. 1 mile. Ryan High School will be on the left. Turn left at Ryan Way stoplight.

V. Unloading and Parking

Please plan to arrive approximately 15 minutes prior to your warm-up time. Drop off your students and equipment on the north (back) side of the band hall, between the auditorium and band hall (see contest map for all locations). A contest guide will greet you outside. Winds will wait "on-deck" in the hallway between the gym and auditorium prior to their scheduled warm-up.

Percussion will wait "on-deck" in the hallway between the auditorium and band hall. Please keep your students quiet in the hallways outside of the auditorium. After you unload, please have your buses and equipment trailer drive to the front of the school and park the large front parking lot near the Ryan band equipment trailer southwest of the building. Do not leave your buses at the back of the building in the unloading zone or in the fire lane. Following your sight-reading performance, your students will exit the building near the northwest corner of the fine arts wing. Your buses may pick up your students there or you may have your students walk to the buses in the parking lot.

VI. Check-in/Check-out (Contest Office)

The contest office will be located in the Choir Ensemble Room on the south side of the Band Hall. Directors, you may check-in in person or give your concert scores (and Form 1, if applicable) to your RHS student guide. Please check-in at least 15 minutes before your warm-up time. When you arrive, you must submit three original scores for each of your concert selections. All of your scores must be labeled clearly with your school name on the front and have the measures numbered. You must have an accurate Form 1 and/or addendum on file for all contestants entered. If you have an updated Form 1, please submit this when you check-in. RHS Band Directors, Boosters, and Student Officers will be on hand to assist you in each phase of the contest. After the sight-reading session, directors must check-out in person at the contest office and pick up their packet of results, scores, concert recording, and awards. Refreshments will be provided in the contest office for judges, directors, and contest staff only. No visiting students or parents will be allowed in the contest office. Contest results will be posted in the contest office and at the auditorium entry doors.

VII. Instrument Repair

Music and Arts Center instrument repair will be available in the hallway between the backstage entrance/exit and the band hall.

VIII. Auditorium (Warm-Up and Concert Performance)

Chairs, stands, and large percussion will be set-up according to the chart you chart you send but feel free to adjust the position of chairs, stands, and percussion or ask the RHS stage crew for assistance. Winds will enter from stage left. Percussion will enter from backstage. Feel free to adjust anything or ask for assistance from our crew. There will also be a McAdams metronome, a Peterson chromatic strobe tuner, and a Yamaha Harmony Director available for your use. This will be moved off the stage for your concert performance. The judges will not be in the auditorium during your assigned warm-up time. Your guide will help keep you informed of the time remaining. When your warm-up time is complete, the judges will enter the auditorium and the announcer will introduce you. Please perform your UIL program within the time allotted to your band and exit the stage on time so that we can stay on schedule. Winds and percussion will exit backstage and proceed to the band hall for sight-reading. Please have your winds exit from the band's left side to enter the band hall in the correct order.

IX. Band Hall (Sight-reading)

Visit the official website for information regarding percussion instrumentation <http://www.uilTEXAS.org/music/concert-sight-reading/band-sight-reading-percussion-instrumentation>. We will provide timpani, bells, and bass drum only. We will use the set-up chart you send in advance, but feel free to adjust the position of chairs, stands, and percussion or ask the RHS set-up crew for assistance. After you enter the room, communicate with the timer to let her know **exactly** how you want your time remaining to be indicated. Please be sure to refresh yourself on the UIL Sight-reading procedures so that all rules are strictly followed. Following your sight-reading session, your students will exit the band hall using the door to their left. Students then turn right to exit the building. You may have your buses pick your students up here following the sight-reading session (see map). Following your sight-reading session, all directors need to check-out at the contest office where you checked in. There you will receive your original scores, contest results, and recording.

X. Other information

- Classes will be in session at Ryan High School during the contest. Please be quiet in the halls and follow the indicated flow of traffic for the contest. You will have an RHS guide to assist you and answer any questions you may have.
- There will be no dressing rooms provided. Plan to arrive and depart already dressed in concert attire.
- Storage areas will not be provided. Please use your buses for storage of cases and all other personal items.
- Ryan HS will not be able to provide mallets, sticks, beaters, cymbals, snare drum, mutes, or other accessories. Please bring everything you need for your concert and sight-reading performances.
- Failure to follow UIL guidelines and procedures outlined in the PML and C&CR will result in action taken by the University Interscholastic League.
- There will be no eating facilities provided on campus. No food or drinks are allowed in the band hall or auditorium.
- There is a wide variety of restaurants located on Loop 288 between McKinney St. and I-35E.