UIL Music Bulletin

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C&CR Updates for the 2015-16 School Year

- 1) Marching Announcement C&CR Section 1105(g)(3)
 - A **standard announcer script** will be used statewide and will be read with :45 remaining on the 5-minute clock. This script is posted on the UIL websites and will be used at all contests region, area, and state.
 - The 5-minute minute clock will be run to :00; then, the 8-minute clock will begin. Judges will be instructed to begin evaluation when the clock reads 7:59.
 - A standard post-show script will be read during the 2-minute field exit.
- 2) Electronics C&CR Section 1105(g)(5)(c)
 - A generator or battery may be used to supply power on the field, provided that a protective layer is placed between the generator and the field surface.
- 3) Area to State Advancement Formula C&CR Section 1106(j)(4) and (5)
 - In Conferences 2A/3A/4A should twenty or more bands qualify for advancement in a single conference for the Area Contest, one band for each five bands that qualified for advancement to the contest shall be certified to the State Contest.
 - In Conferences 5A/6A should fifteen or more bands **qualify for advancement** in a single conference for the Area Contest, one band for each five bands that **qualified for advancement** to the contest shall be certified to the State Contest.
- 4) Class 3 at Solo and Ensemble C&CR Section 1108(e)(3)
 - Any student in grades 9 through 12 will be permitted to enter a class
 3 solo or ensemble, provided the student has not previously earned a division 1 rating in class 1 or 2.
- 5) Region Adjudication Honorariums C&CR Section 1112(a)(12)
 - Adjudication honorariums will be increased as follows: for each scheduled 8-hour day, increased from \$250 to \$300 for region organizational events and from \$200 to \$250 for solo and ensemble. Overtime rates are \$50/hour for S&E and \$60/hour for organizational events.

Non-C&CR Updates for the 2015-16 School Year

1) 1A State Marching Band Contest

UIL will hold a 1A SMBC Pilot on Tuesday, November 3, 2015 in the Alamodome in San Antonio. Bands receiving a Division I rating at the Region Contest will be certified to advance directly to the State Contest – no Area Contest. For more information please see the following link:

http://www.uiltexas.org/files/music/UIL_1A_State_Marching_Band_C ontest Pilot Information.pdf

2) State Mariachi Festival Pilot

UIL will hold a State Mariachi Festival Pilot on March 11 and 12, **2016 at Southwest High School in San Antonio**. Mariachi ensembles that receive a Division I rating at the region medium ensemble contest will be eligible to attend. For More information please see the following link: http://www.uiltexas.org/music/state-mariachi-festival

3) Area Adjudication Honorariums

Adjudication honorariums will be increased for each scheduled 8hour day from \$350 to \$450 for area marching band contest. Overtime rate is \$75/hour.

4) Area Marching Band Judge Hiring Guidelines

The adjudicator hiring guidelines now say: *Make an effort to assemble* Area Judge panels that have balanced representation of judges who are currently employed as a band director or music administrator with those who are retired or currently inactive as a music educator. Area Judge panels comprised exclusively of retirees is discouraged.

5) Area/State Marching Band Judge Training

At the request of the music advisory committee, TMAA, and the ad-hoc marching band committee UIL is creating an online training course for Area and State judges to be used effective Fall 2015.

Marching Band Adjudication Sheets 6)

At the recommendation of the ad-hoc marching band committee the following updates have been made to the region and area/state adjudication sheets.

- On the Area/State Marching Sheet Drill Caption "Difficulty of Drill" was changed to "Suitability and Demand of Drill".
- On the Area/State Marching Sheet Drill Caption "Frequency of Movement" was changed to "Frequency of Movement While Playing".

- On the Area/State Marching Sheet Integration of Marching Components "(when present)" was added after "Auxiliary Units".
- On the Area/State Marching Sheet Integration of Marching Components "Appearance of Uniforms" was changed to read "General Appearance".
- On the Area/State Music Sheet Ensemble Performance "and Demand" was added after "Suitability".
- The above descriptors were also changed on the Region Marching Sheet.

7) Marching Band Props

- An effort is made by each Contest Chair to minimize the amount of time that props are stored in the end zone before and after a band's performance.
- An effort is made by each Contest Chair to restrict the assembly of props in the audience's line of site during another band's performance.