



**Hosted by the Marietta Band Association**

**Saturday - March 19, 2016**

**Sunday - March 20, 2016**

**Marietta High School  
1171 Whitlock Ave  
Marietta, GA 30064**

**WELCOME**

Thank you for choosing the Marietta Castle Classic held at Marietta High School. Please review and familiarize yourself with following information regarding our contest. We hope you have a great experience and we look forward to an exciting and fun weekend.

**CONTACT**

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact our Guard Director, Justin Churchwell at [jnchurchwell@gmail.com](mailto:jnchurchwell@gmail.com)

**EMERGENCY CONTACT** (Day of the show)

Justin Churchwell (770) 598-1947

**EQUIPMENT/ BUS PARKING**

Unit parking for buses and equipment vehicles will be located on the left side of the school in the bus parking lot only. Please use the Manning Rd traffic light entrance shown on the enclosed map. Signs will be posted to assist.

**SPECTATOR / GENERAL PARKING**

Spectators and units driving their personal vehicles will need to park in the lots in front of the school. Please use the main school entrance traffic light on Whitlock Ave shown on the enclosed map. Signs will be posted to assist.

**UNIT CHECK-IN**

The unit check-in entrance will be located on the left side of the school adjacent to the equipment/bus parking as shown on the enclosed map. Signs will be posted. Be prepared to declare the number of marching members. Penalties will be assessed for false declarations. Each unit will receive wristbands for all members and 7 wristbands for staff. Additional wristbands must be purchased. Units must check in at least one hour prior to unit's performance time. Unit members and staff must check in together.

**UNIT GUIDES**

Upon check in, every unit will be assigned a volunteer unit guide. Please understand every unit must have a guide. Once the guide has taken your unit to their hallway space, the guide will return 20 minutes prior to your scheduled warm up. The unit guide will stay with you all the way through your performance. Please remember, the guides are there to help the show run smoothly, ultimately it is the Unit's Director to make sure the unit is on time.

**EQUIPMENT UNLOADING & LOADING**

Equipment unloading/loading will be adjacent to the equipment/bus parking area. Equipment will enter using the same entrance as unit check in. Event staff will be present to help and signs posted.

## **ADMISSION**

Tickets are \$9.00 for a one day pass or \$14.00 for a two day pass. Your wristband must be worn around the wrist and visible for admission to the gym.

## **SEATING**

Seating is on a “first come, first serve” basis on the right side of the gym when you enter. Performers are encouraged to support all units, but must sit on the sides or backside of gym to allow for sufficient spectator seating. No one is allowed entry or exit during performances. Please only use the doors closest to the concession stand for entry and exit. All other doors are not to be used.

## **VIDEORECORDING / PHOTOGRAPHY**

There is a designated recording area. Units are allowed to record their own unit. Please do not record other units from the stands. No flash photography allowed.

## **CONCESSIONS**

Concessions are located outside the performance gym entrance. A variety of food and drink will be available at a great price for your convenience and enjoyment.

## **VENDORS**

We will have a variety of vendors selling t-shirts and other great merchandise in the rotunda and gym commons area. Please stop by and take a look.

## **FIRST AID**

First Aid is located by the unit exit on the lower level of the performance gym.

## **HOSPITALITY**

Our hospitality room will be located on the lower level of the school near the unit check-in entrance in room B114B (The Good Vibes Café). This room will be open to Unit Directors and Staff only as identified by their respective badges and staff wristbands. Signs will be posted to assist in finding this location.

## **PERFORMANCE FACILITY/GUIDELINES**

### **DRESSING FACILITIES**

Dressing facilities are available on site.

### **WARM UP AREA**

The warm up area is located in the axillary gym located adjacent to the performance gym. Body and equipment warm up are combined together. You will be able to spin during the entire warm up if desired. The gym will be separated in half by a curtain. Two groups will warm up at the same time and stay on one side the entire warm up. Please be considerate and courteous of the other group of how loudly you clap/count etc. No music is to be played. This is a WGI rule.

### **FOOTWEAR AND EQUIPMENT PROTECTION**

All equipment tips on rifles, flags, and sabers must be padded and taped. Any props used must be protected so as not to damage the floor. Equipment inspection will occur prior to entering warm up. Soft-soled shoes need no added protection. Hard soled shoes must be taped. Performers must wear shoes at all times when not in the competition area. Penalties will be assessed for violation of this rule.

### **TIMELINE**

Our timeline is VERTICAL. From the spectator's perspective, units will enter back right and exit back left.

### **FLOOR SIZE**

The maximum allowable floor size for any unit is 60' x 90'.

### **PERFORMANCE MUSIC**

A CD player will be provided for your use, or you may use an iPad, iPhone or MP3 player and plug it into the SAPA sound system. Please bring your CD's to the sound table prior to your performance and make sure they are clearly marked with the unit's name. Sound checks should be done prior to the show or on a limited basis during breaks. Volume is controlled by SAPA. A representative of your unit should stay with the SAPA sound technician during your performance.

### **TABULATING AND JUDGING AREA**

These areas are off limits to everyone except authorized personnel. Comments are made available via Competition Suite. **DO NOT APPROACH THE TABULATION TABLE.**

### **SCORES AND RECAP SHEETS**

These can be picked up after retreat near the sound table.

### **AWARDS**

The top three in each SAPA guard class will receive awards.

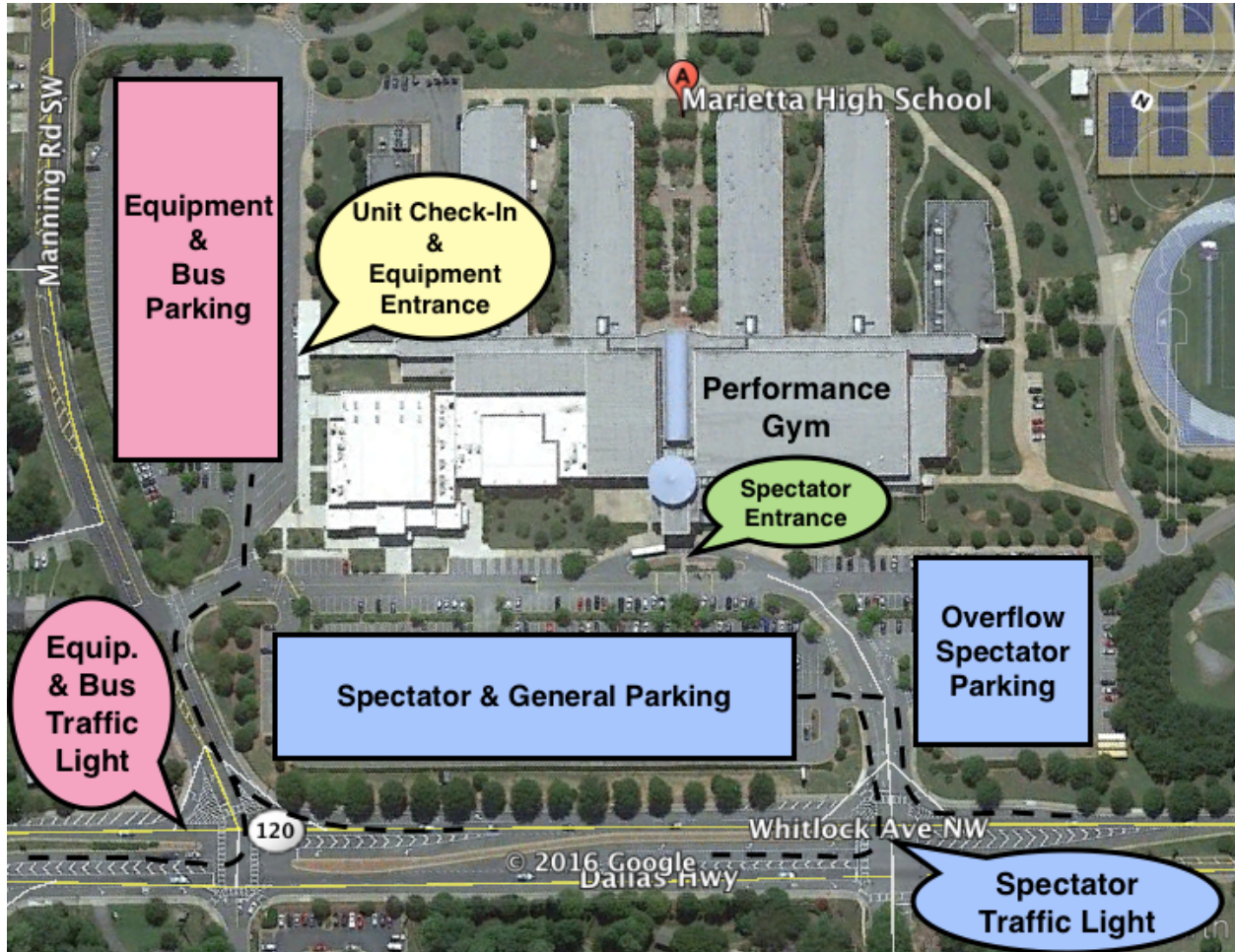
### **CRITIQUE**

Critique will be located in the seminar room just across from the performance gym entrance on the upper level. Signs will be posted to assist in finding this location.

### **FLOOR FOLDING**

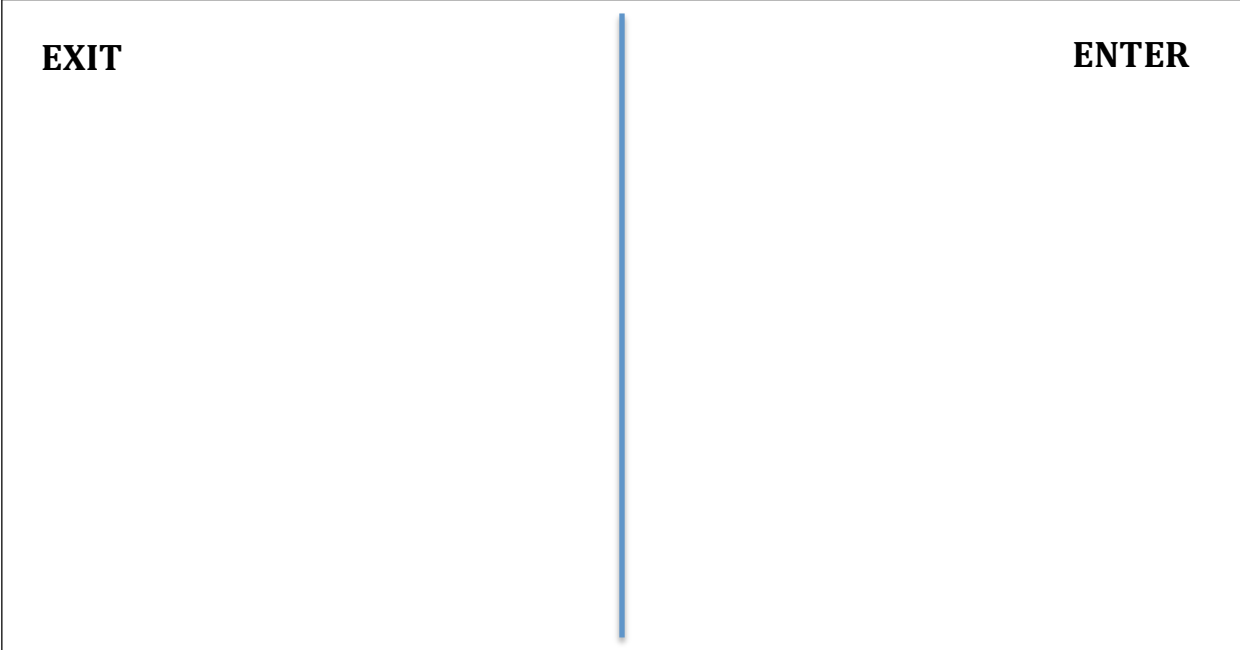
Floor folding will take place outside or in the cafeteria if needed.

## Marietta High School Campus Map



**DIAGRAM OF PERFORMANCE GYM**

**VERTICAL TIME LINE**



**SPECTATOR AND JUDGES SEATING**