

AUSTIN

TEXAS MARCHING CLASSIC

Welcome to the Texas Marching Classic competition in Austin, Texas. Please read this booklet in its entirety for important information about the contest. This includes preliminary and finals schedules, adjudication details, and rules and regulations. We are excited to have you join us!

Welcome!

From the Chair of Texas Marching Classic

Thank you for choosing to compete at the 2019 Texas Marching Classic here in Round Rock, Texas!

We know you had many options of contests to choose from, and we will do all we can to make your experience as stress free and rewarding for you, your band students, and band parents.

We have a wonderful line up of both competing bands and judges this year, and we hope the judge commentaries will help you as you continue to progress through this marching season.



Please take the time to read through this entire packet. Do not hesitate to contact us with any questions you may have.

Good luck and have a great marching season!

John Peterson Director of Bands Cedar Ridge High School Texas Marching Classic Chair

DAILY SCHEDULE - TMC

Saturday October 12, 2019 – Kelly Reeves Athletic Complex

8:45 AM	Ticket Office and Stadium Open
9:45 AM	Preliminary Contest Begins
10:45 AM	BREAK
11:00 AM	Preliminary Contest Continues
12:30 PM	LUNCH
1:30 PM	Preliminary Contest Continues
3:00 PM	BREAK
3:15 PM	Preliminary Contest Continues
4:45 PM	Preliminary Contest Ends
5:00 PM	Prelims Award Ceremony (drum majors)
5:30 PM	Finalist Directors Meeting
	Stadium Cleared
	Dinner Break

6:45 PM	licket Office and Stadium Open
7:10 PM	National Anthem
7:15 PM	Cedar Ridge HS Band Exhibition Performance
7:30 PM	First Performing Finalist Band
10:15 PM	Last Performing Finalist Band
10:45 PM	Finals Rewards – Full Retreat

PRELIMS SCHEDULE - TMC

School	Check- In	Warm Up Site	Warm Up Begins	Exit WU & Move to Gate	Field Entry Time
Late Registration Group?	7:15	Α	8:15	9:00	9:15
Late Registration Group?	7:30	В	8:30	9:15	9:30
Manor High School	7:45	С	8:45	9:30	9:45
Weiss High School	8:00	Α	9:00	9:45	10:00
Akins High School	8:15	В	9:15	10:00	10:15
Midway High School	8:30	С	9:30	10:15	10:30
Break	Break	Break	Break	Break	Break
Harker Heights High School	9:00	Α	10:00	10:45	11:00
Cedar Park High School	9:15	В	10:15	11:00	11:15
Copperas Cove High School	9:30	С	10:30	11:15	11:30
Rouse High School	9:45	А	10:45	11:30	11:45
McNeil High School	10:00	В	11:00	11:45	12:00
Johnson High School (Buda, Tx)	10:15	С	11:15	12:00	12:15
Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch
Sandra Day O'Connor High School	11:30	А	12:30	1:15	1:30
Churchill High School	11:45	В	12:45	1:30	1:45
Belton High School	12:00	С	1:00	1:45	2:00
John Paul Stevens High School	12:15	Α	1:15	2:00	2:15
Vandegrift High School	12:30	В	1:30	2:15	2:30
Hendrickson High School	12:45	С	1:45	2:30	2:45
Break	Break	Break	Break	Break	Break
Leander High School	1:15	А	2:15	3:00	3:15
Louis D. Brandeis High School	1:30	В	2:30	3:15	3:30
Jack C Hays High School	1:45	С	2:45	3:30	3:45
James Bowie High School	2:00	Α	3:00	3:45	4:00
Clements High School	2:15	В	3:15	4:00	4:15
Ronald Reagan HS	2:30	С	3:30	4:15	4:30
Potential Exhibition Group	2:45	А	3:45	4:30	4:45
Prelims Awards (drum majors)					5:00
Finalist Directors Meeting					5:30
Dinner Break (Stadium Cleared)					5:30

FINALS SCHEDULE – TMC

	Warm Up Site	Warm Up Begins	Move to Gate	Field Entry Time
Gates Open				6:45
National Anthem/Announcements				7:05
Cedar Ridge High School Exhibition				7:15
Possible Exhibition #1	С	6:30	7:15	7:30
Finalist Band 1	А	6:45	7:30	7:45
Finalist Band 2	В	7:00	7:45	8:00
Finalist Band 3	С	7:15	8:00	8:15
Finalist Band 4	Α	7:30	8:15	8:30
Finalist Band 5	В	7:45	8:30	8:45
Break				
Finalist Band 6	С	8:15	9:00	9:15
Finalist Band 7	Α	8:30	9:15	9:30
Finalist Band 8	В	8:45	9:30	9:45
Finalist Band 9	С	9:00	9:45	10:00
Finalist Band 10	А	9:15	10:00	10:15
Possible Exhibition #2	В	9:30	10:15	10:30
Finals Rewards - Full Retreat				10:45*
Stadium Cleared				11:15*
			*depending on exhibition groups, etc	

PRE-PERFORMANCE FLOW

ARRIVAL

Upon your arrival at the Kelly Reeves Athletic Complex you will be guided to the Band Check-In station where you will be given your Band Welcome Packet. After you receive your packet, a parking lot assistant will guide your buses and equipment trucks to the north parking lot where you will unload.

CHECK-IN

Band Check-In will be open for your arrival one (1) hour prior to your assigned warm-up time (see Preliminary Schedule for details).

The check-in packet includes the following:

- 6 Director passes
- 25 Field passes
- 1 Staff Vehicle Parking Pass
- 1 Chaperone Pass per bus, max of 10 passes (based on registration data submitted)
- 10 Additional passes may be purchased for \$10 each.
- 1 Media Observation Deck Pass (to video record your group)
- Bus Driver passes (allows access to air-conditioned bus driver lounge area)
- Updated Prelims Schedule schedule changes, if any, which will impact travel arrangements, will be communicated BEFORE check-in via email.
- Competition Information Letter

Field passes are not transferable and may not be shared with other participating bands. A field pass or director pass (badge) must be worn in order to gain field access during your band's performance. Preliminaries field passes may be used to access the front side grandstand during Preliminaries competition only as well as all-day access to backside grandstand seating. Director pass (badge) is valid for either front or back side grandstand seating all day.

Please note: Medical personnel (i.e. nurse) are not exempt from the field pass policy.

PARKING

Staff Vehicle

One (1) staff vehicle parking pass will be distributed per band. Upon entrance, please proceed to the North side of the stadium. The parking attendants will deliver the parking pass to your designated vehicle upon entry. Please follow the direction of the parking attendants to designate Staff Parking. All additional vehicles must park in general

parking, on the South side of the stadium.

Bus / Truck

The Bus and Truck lot is located on the North side of the stadium. Please follow the direction of parking attendants to help facilitate a safe and timely entrance. Smaller vehicles (cars, pick-up trucks, etc) without trailers may be allowed to unload equipment however they will be instructed to move the vehicle to the South General Parking lot after unloading.

Based on the number of trucks coming to contest, we may assign specific times when trucks must vacate the grounds to allow for space for groups coming later in the day. This information will be communicated closer to the contest.

Bus/Truck Passes will be emailed to the directors before the contest. Make sure to display the passes prominently in an easily-viewable space as you arrive to contest.

Spectator Parking

Spectator parking is located in the south lot of the stadium. All vehicles other than one (1) staff vehicle, band buses, and equipment trucks must park in the south lot. General Parking is free. If the south lot is full, a shuttle service will be available.

Satellite Parking

Satellite parking is available at Pearson Ranch Middle School, 8901 Pearson Ranch Rd, Austin, TX 78717, and school bus shuttles will be available free of charge. The Williamson County Sheriff department has stated that parking along Parmer Road will be strictly prohibited. Please encourage your parents to plan accordingly. We particularly foresee a need for alternative parking for the after 2pm and sometime during the Finals portion of the contest.

Food Delivery

Each band may have food from vendors delivered to the athletic complex however no outside food or drink is permitted inside the stadium. Parking attendants will direct delivery vehicle(s) to an area immediately adjacent to the Band Check-In area. Delivery vehicles will not be permitted into the north parking area to maintain student and volunteer safety. You will need to meet the delivery vendor near the Band Check-In area.

AWARDS AND PRESENTATIONS

Preliminaries Awards Presentation

At the conclusion of the prelims contest, all unit drum majors (and colorguard captains if desired), in uniform, will assemble at the north end zone gate for Class and Caption awards and announcement of finalists.

Overall Preliminaries scores will not be announced nor made public until the conclusion of the Finals competition.

Preliminaries Awards

The following will be presented in each class:

- 1st, 2nd, 3rd Class Placement Awards
- Outstanding Music Performance (average of music performance scores)
- Outstanding Visual Performance (average of visual performance scores)
- Outstanding General Effect (average of all GE scores)
- Outstanding Auxiliary
- Outstanding Percussion

Following the announcement of the Class placement awards, the top 10 scoring bands, regardless of classification, will be announced in random order. The Finals competitions will be void of any classes.

Finalist Band Director Meeting

Following the announcement of the finalist bands, a meeting for the director or representative of each finalist band will be held in a designated area (conference room on the bottom level of press box). Finalist performance order will be determined by a top-5, bottom-5 draw. The top 5 scoring bands will draw for the last 5 performance times. The bottom scoring bands will draw for the first 5 performance times.

In the event a "Class Champion" band does not score high enough to place in Finals competition, that band will have the option to perform in exhibition during Finals competition, if desired.

Preliminaries Participation Award

All preliminaries bands will receive a participation trophy to commemorate their band's performance at the Texas Marching Classic.

Finals Awards Presentation

The event will feature a full-band retreat with all finalist bands and Class Champion exhibition bands. Awards will be presented to finalist bands for 1st through 10th, as well as highest achievements (Outstanding Music/Visual/GE/Auxiliary/Percussion). First place (Grand Champion) band members will also receive championship medallions. At the conclusion of the Finals awards presentation, members will be dismissed to congratulate one another.

OTHER INFORMATION

Clear Bag Policy

Please let your parents know: Kelly Reeves Athletic Complex enforces a clear bag policy <u>for audience members</u>. Clear bags cannot be more than 12"x12"x6". Small purses the size of your hand are permitted.

Individual Band Video Recording

Your videographer will have designated space available inside the press box to record at both Prelims and Finals (if applicable). The video area is for your band's performance only. Please do not attempt to stay and record another band's performance.

Instrument Repair

A repair technician will be outside for minor repairs during Preliminary competition only. TMC does not warrant any repairs made during the competition, nor guarantee the repair staff will be able to repair all types of instruments or equipment failures.

First Aid Stations

Medical personnel will be provided onsite all day at the designated nurse station. The first aid station is located at the south end of the stadium immediately adjacent to the main ticket booth. At the time of the writing of this document, an additional medical station for the north end of the stadium is in the works but has not yet been confirmed.

Ice will not be available on site. Please plan accordingly.

Water

All groups should plan to bring adequate water to the contest. TMC will supply four "water monsters" for hydration after performance. There is a hose located on the exterior of the home side to the south of the ground-level entrance of the press box that you can use if needed.

Merchandise

T-shirts and apparel will be available for purchase by TMF on the day of competition. The TMF merchandise booth is located next to the south concession stand. Koozies and contest patches will be sold at the concession stands.

Seating for Participating Bands

Seating for students will be free on the **visitor side** of the stadium for both Prelims and Finals. Participating bands who do not make finals may have their director purchase finals tickets for students who want to sit in the front grandstand for Finals at a reduced rate of \$3.00 per STUDENT. Directors may purchase the tickets in the south ticket booth following Prelims. Directors may sit on either the front or back grandstand during Prelims and Finals.

Prelims Field Passes are only valid for back (Visitors) side seating during Finals. Front (Home) grandstand seating is available for purchase at \$10 each. Band Director Passes (badges) are valid for either front or back grandstands all day.

Food and Beverage

Outside food and beverage is NOT allowed *in the stadium*. Water stations will be available immediately after the conclusion of your band's performance, outside the south gate upon leaving the field.

Outside food can be delivered to your group in the parking lot. For convenience and the safety of all students in the parking lot, please meet your food delivery at the check in station, to the right as you enter the stadium grounds.

Concessions will be available throughout the day during competition hours. In between Prelims and Finals, the stadium will be cleared. The north concession stands and restroom facilities will remain available for band students and staff only during that time.

Concession selection will be limited. Full concessions will reopen once the stadium gates are reopened for Finals competition.

Lost and Found

In the event a student, parent, or staff member misplaces an item you may check with the attendants at the general admission ticket booth on the south end of the stadium. The parking lot attendants have 2-way radios so you may ask them to check with the ticket booth to see if your item has been located and turned in.

Trash and Recycling

In an effort to minimize the amount of material sent to landfills, we ask all to participate in recycling waste materials. Appropriate dumpsters will be provided in the parking lot for use, making it easy to recycle. Please bring large trash and/or recycle bags to facilitate your ability to collect and dispose of your band's waste. Thank you for your involvement in making the facilities cleaner.

Weather Evacuation Notice

It may be necessary to clear the stadium in the event of inclement weather to ensure the safety for participants, spectators, and workers. The Kelly Reeves stadium is equipped with a lightning detection system to alert Round Rock ISD personnel to dangerous weather events in addition to monitoring other weather information. RRISD personnel have the responsibility and authority to require the stadium to be evacuated in a dangerous event. It is important for each band to instruct their staff, students, and support personnel to follow instructions if such an event occurs.

In the event of an evacuation, all students must take shelter on their buses. There is not space underneath the Kelly Reeves complex for shelter.

In the event of an evacuation in the middle of a performance, the performing band should carefully take cover in the small tunnel under the stadium and then head back to their buses.

TMC Patches

All TMC patches are 4-inch round, sew-on designed using a traditional Texas badge theme perfect for letter jackets, backpacks, and other apparel. The high quality, high stitch count, embroidered patches are an excellent way to commemorate your experience. Patches are available for purchase on the day of contest for only \$4 per patch (including tax). Patches will be sold at all concessions stands.

Concessions Menu

- Chicken Biscuits
- Sausage Wraps
- Hot Dog / Chili Dog
- Pizza (pepperoni/cheese)
- Chips
- Nachos
- Popcorn
- Candy
- Kettle Corn
- Pickles
- Coke Products
- Iced Tea
- Flavored Ice

Note: Slight menu adjustments may be made as necessary.

STADIUM MAP

Please review the following stadium map. Please note all band vehicles will enter through the Main Entrance off Parmer Lane, turn right, and will be directed to a parking area by TMC parking personnel.

All buses and trucks will exit out the north gate of the facility. All spectators will exit out the south gate of the facility.



Directions
Kelly Reeves Athletic Complex
10211 W. Parmer Lane
Austin TX 78717

FROM THE NORTH/NORTHEAST

Take IH-35 South to Exit 256, University Blvd (aka FM1431)

Turn west (right) onto FM1431

Follow FM1431 to Ronald Reagan Blvd

Turn south (left) onto Ronald Reagan Blvd/W Parmer Ln

The Kelly Reeves Athletic Complex will be on the west (right) side of roadway

FROM THE NORTHWEST

Take US-183 OR US-183A Tollway, south to Avery Ranch Blvd.

Follow Avery Ranch Blvd east (left) to FM734 (aka W Parmer Ln)

Turn south (right) onto W Parmer Ln

The Kelly Reeves Athletic Complex will be on the west (right) side of the roadway

FROM THE SOUTHEAST

Take US-183 North to RM620 east (right)

Stay on frontage road to SH45 headed east

Turn left at FM734 (aka W Parmer Ln)

The Kelly Reeves Athletic Complex will be on the west (right) side of the roadway

FROM THE WEST

Take Highway 29 OR FM1431, east towards Ronald Reagan Blvd

Turn south (right) onto Ronald Reagan Blvd (aka W Parmer Ln AND FM734)

The Kelley Reeves Athletic Complex will be on the west (right) side of the roadway