March 2023

Dear Band Director,

The Marshall County Blueberry Festival Parade Committee is pleased to invite your high school/middle school to take part in the 57th Annual Labor Day Parade on Monday, September 4, 2023.

As always, our goal is to have, at least, 10 bands participate, but the crowd would love to have more! We will be offering a $750.00 incentive to the first 10 bands, however, even if you don’t get in the top 10, you may still be eligible for a trophy as we are judging once again. **BAND APPLICATIONS ARE NUMBERED AS THEY ARE RECEIVED AND ONLY THE FIRST TOP TEN BANDS WILL RECEIVE THE $750.00.**

Categories to be judged are as follows:

1. Marching
2. Drumline
3. Drum Major(s)
4. Color Guard
5. Music
6. Best of Show (Highest total of above categories)

**REMEMBER, only the top 10 bands will get the incentive, but ALL BANDS are eligible for judging and trophies!**

We hope you will join us to perform for our faithful parade-goers and help make this parade a great one! The parade is something everyone looks forward to at the Blueberry Festival and every year I get asked to have more bands, that’s where you come in! We can’t do it without you!

Please download the proper application form and get it back to me ASAP! Forms must be filled out completely with good contact information. Incomplete applications may delay your place in line for the first top 10 bands!

Applications can be mailed or emailed. **Mail:** MCBF Parade * P.O. Box 639 * Plymouth, IN 46563. **E-Mail:** mcbfparade@yahoo.com

**IMPORTANT REMINDERS:**

- Deadline for bands to respond is **Friday, July 7th.**
- Parade info and line up #’s will be emailed in **August.**
- Confirmation of entry will be sent to the contact method you prefer.

Thank you for your consideration. Please do not hesitate to use the above email or text me with any questions!

Sincerely,

Kari Vancza ~ Parade Chair ~ 574.930.6595