

**The Socastee High School Bands
In conjunction with the
Carolina Winter Ensemble Association**

Is proud to present

“The Socastee Winter Ensemble Competition”



At

Socastee High School

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Event Location:

Socastee High School

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Myrtle Beach, SC 29579

Information and Procedure

The Socastee High School Bands welcome you to beautiful Myrtle Beach and the Socastee Winter Ensemble Competition. Enclosed in this packet you will find information regarding procedures and services available to visiting groups, teams and ensembles attending this year.

ARRIVAL PROCEDURES AND PARKING

Upon arrival at Socastee, turn into the main parking area at either light. Both lead to the main parking lot. Follow signs to the main parking area. You will see signs as well as responsible adults who will guide you to your parking area. We ask that trucks and busses for performers' park in the reserved area and visitors and supporters park in the areas marked for public parking in order to maintain easy access to loading and unloading areas for those groups needing to load and unload props and equipment. These areas will be marked and adults will be on hand to guide you.

REGISTRATION

Directors should check in at the registration table just outside the main performer entrance where you will receive updated information, and your official packet of contest times as well as chaperone wristbands. At this time all participating students will receive wristbands.

ADMISSION

All tickets are general admission and will be on sale one hour before the contest starts at a cost of \$8.00 per person. Children under five are free. Contest programs are \$2.00.

SOUND TABLE

Music should be turned into the sound technician at least 30 minutes prior to your groups' performance. Sound and speed checks can be done PRIOR to the show or DURING BREAKS. The sound table will be located at the entry side of the gym. (Left side of the judges from the judges view) Please have someone at the sound table DURING YOUR PERFORMANCE. Make sure this person has a backup CD. Please make sure your CD is clearly marked with your groups name and contact information and in a secure cover.

INSTRUCTOR/CHAPERONE PASSES

According to CWEA guidelines, there will be 10 chaperone wristbands in the director packet at registration. These wristbands will be given out by the director to his/her staff or chaperones etc. ALL PERFORMERS will receive a wristband when checking in. If you need additional wristbands, they can be purchased at the registration table for \$8.00 each. Please make sure everyone in your groups understands this process. EXTRA WRISTBANDS WILL NOT BE GIVEN. If changes need to be done to the registration sheet given to the announcer that you filled out online, this may be done at the registration table. A GUIDE WILL BE ASSIGNED TO YOU at the registration table to help you find your way through warm up and performance areas, but it is your responsibility to report on time to warm up and performance doors.

DRESSING ROOMS

Dressing rooms will be in the new field house adjacent to the parking lot and entrance doors next to the warm up gym. Both the Men's and Women's dressing rooms are side by side and are next to the entry doors to the warm up area. Please make sure to have an adult chaperone in both rooms with your students at all times. Check when leaving to make sure all materials are picked up. WE ARE NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR MATERIALS LEFT IN THE ROOMS.

STAGING AND PROP AREAS

All of the groups will be staged in the areas adjacent to warm up. It is marked Prop Storage A or Prop Storage B. Look for your groups name on the wall. Both prop storage areas are close to the warm up areas and adjacent to double doors leading from the dressing and parking areas for ease of movement. It will be a straight walk down the hall from warm up gym to the performance gym. Please be courteous and mindful of noise as sounds bleed over to the warm up areas. SHS AND THE SHS BAND IS NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR ITEMS LEFT UN-ATTENDED IN THE STAGING AND PROP STORAGE AREA. While we will do our best to monitor the area, we are not responsible for your items left unattended, lost or stolen.

WARM-UP, GATE, AND PERFORMANCE AREA

Body and equipment warm up will take place in the Auxiliary Gym. You will have a total of 16 minutes in the same spot to do both body and equipment before moving to performance holding. . There will be powered speakers equipped with a 1/8" adaptor for your MP3 player in the warm up area. There will NOT be a CD player in the warm up area. If you required a CD player, you will have to supply your own and its own power supply. Please be considerate in your warm up procedures and be mindful of the volume of your music. Please avoid using a gock block if you are sharing the warm up area. IT IS THE INSTRUCTORS RESPONSIBILITY TO HAVE THEIR UNIT AT THE GATE ON TIME!

EQUIPMENT PADDING

Please have all of your equipment and props padded and taped so that corners and sharp areas do not damage floors or tarps. We will be checking all equipment or props closely before performance and court time. Units without appropriate padding will not be allowed to perform. Show floors are not considered proper padding. You can receive penalties and/or held accountable for damage to both floor covers and gym floors. Floor carts must have clean working wheels. All equipment, props, and floor covering must be removed from the gym immediately following your performance. Percussion units are reminded to tape the bottom of Everything that comes in contact with the floor. Example: Timpani pedals, bottom of vibraphone pedals, keyboard stands, cymbal stands, etc.

PERFORMANCE PROCEDURES

CWEA guidelines apply for all performances. There will be beige 80X90 tarp down for the entire competition. Please review the attached gym maps and time line chart so you can prepare for your performance and fold your floor appropriately.

TIME LINE

We will be using a VERTICAL time for your performance. Please see the enclosed diagram.

TIMING AND PENALTY

You may obtain the latest Timing and Penalties update from the CWEA website. Go to www.cwea.us and click on the "resources" tab at the top of the page.

JUDGES AREA AND TABULATION ROOM

Please stay away from these roped off area and DO NOT communicate with them while they are working. Please do not approach the tabulation area. CD's will be made available after your performance. This will need to be played on a computer, as they are not audio files and will NOT play on a CD player. If you have issues with your CD please locate a CWEA Contest Staff member and they will assist you.

AWARDS CEREMONY AND RETREAT

The retreat for the awards ceremony will be CAPTAINS ONLY. An announcement will be made for all directors and captains to meet on the floor for the awards ceremony.

CRITIQUE

Critique will occur DURING the awards ceremony in the MEDA CENTER on the SECOND FLOOR just beyond top the center stairs. Please sign up for a time at the announcers table.

HOSPITALITY ROOM

The Hospitality room will be located on the first floor across from the warm up room. It is the Room 138 Nutrition. Please stop by and rest. This area is for directors and staff only. No parents or students please.

FIRST AID

First aid will be located outside the main gym as units exit the floor.

NEED ASSISTANCE

If you need assistance, contest staff will be easily identifiable by their CWEA identification or by the SHS Volunteer Badges. Anyone will be glad to assist you.

SHOUT OUTS /AIRGRAMS

Air grams or shout outs will be available. The cost is \$1.00 per announcement. The announcer will use discretion when reading them. Inappropriate messages will not be read and no refund will be provided.

PHOTOGRAPHY

NO flash photography will be allowed. This is very dangerous to the performers.

POWER HOOK-UPS

We will provide power at the front and back of the performance area.

CONCESSIONS

A full line of concessions will be available throughout the day including the following: Pizza, hamburgers, hot dogs, popcorn and candy. Beverages available are soft drinks and bottled water. Please use the concession stands and support the SHS band boosters. NO outside food/drink will be allowed in the concession area or performance area.

If you have questions call me at school (843) or e mail me at Cpolenick@horrycountyschools.net.

SPECIAL NOTICE

Socastee High School is a SMOKE FREE campus. We ENFORCE a NO SMOKING policy adopted by Horry County Schools. Smokers will be asked to leave campus. Please make sure your parents and staff are aware of this policy.

ALL PERFORMING GROUPS WILL BE ASKED TO SIT ON THE "VISITORS SIDE" OF THE GYM AFTER THEIR PERFORMANCE. THE SEATING IS REACHED THROUGH THE SECOND FLOOR STAIR WELL AND SECOND FLOOR GYM DOORS ONLY. THE VISITORS BLEACHERS WILL NOT BE PULLED OUT COMPLETELY AND WILL NOT BE ACCESSABLE TO PUBLIC SEATING THROUGH THE FIRST FLOOR.

HANDI-CAPPED SEATING IS AVAILABLE – ASK FOR HELP FROM ONE OF THE SHS VOLENTEERS.



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TRAVEL DIRECTIONS

FROM the WEST (U.S. Hwy. 501 South/East Bound)

From U.S. Hwy. 501 take SC Hwy. 544 East towards Socastee/Surfside Beach. Follow SC Hwy. 544 to the Intracoastal Waterway Bridge. Less than ¼ mile past bridge bear RIGHT onto EXIT lane and exit off SC Hwy. 544. At light TURN RIGHT on SC Hwy. 707 North towards Socastee (Kangaroo Gas Station on the Corner). Follow SC Hwy. 707 North. The school is at SECOND Traffic light on LEFT.

CAR PARKING: TURN LEFT at LIGHT – parking is straight ahead, inside the gate.
BUS/EQUIPMENT VEHICLE PARKING: TURN LEFT at LIGHT in front of school – TURN LEFT onto frontage street outside of the fence. Parking for equipment is on the right side side of the lot. There will be personnel directing traffic.

FROM the SOUTH (US Hwy. 17 Bypass North Bound)

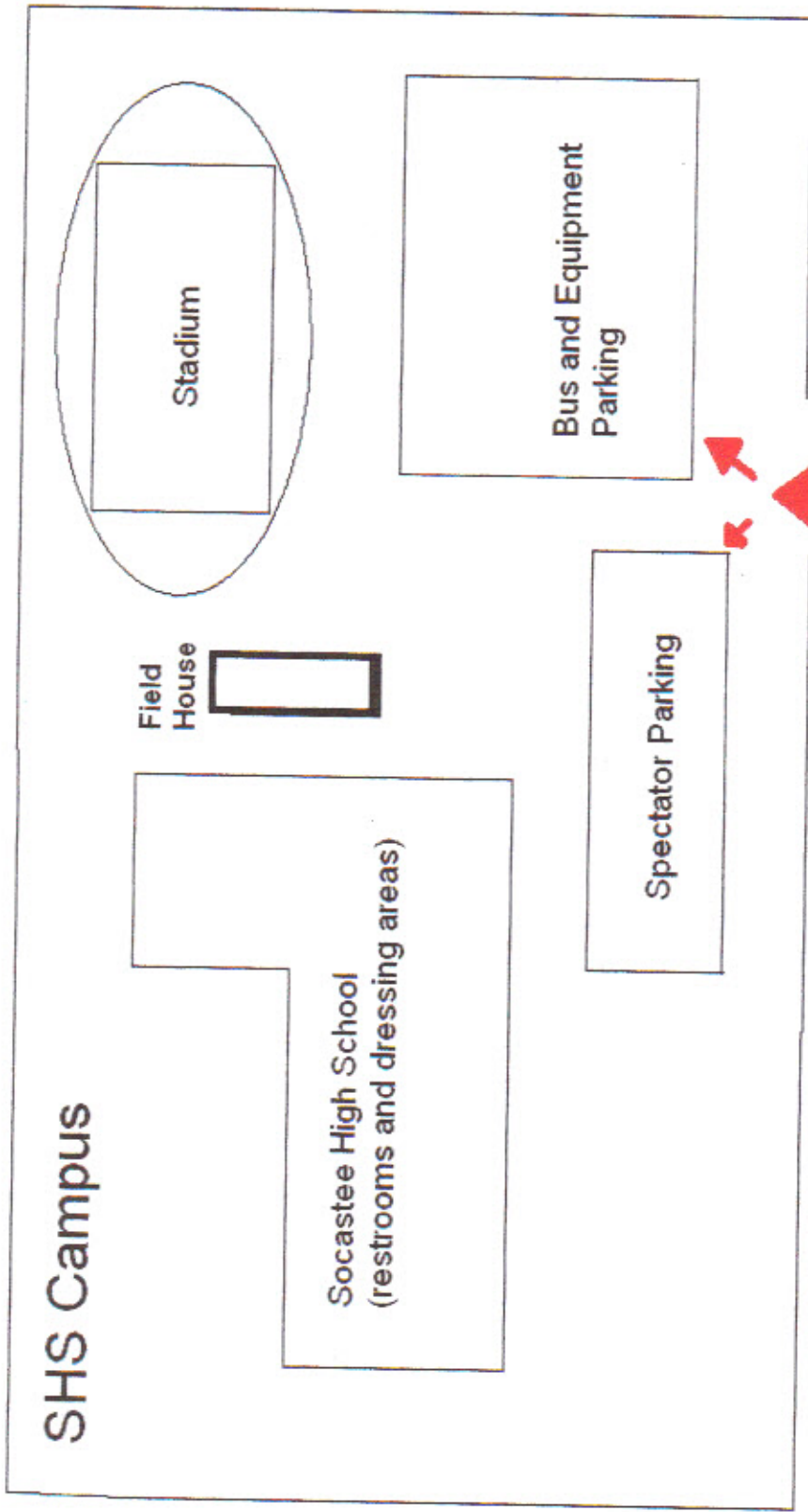
Follow U.S. Hwy. 17 Bypass North to SC Hwy. 544 Exit RIGHT before interchange. TURN LEFT at the light towards Socastee/Conway. Follow SC Hwy. 544 until the 3rd red light after exit from US Hwy. 17 Bypass North (approx. 2 miles – before the large bridge) At light, turn RIGHT onto Old Dick's Pond Road. (There will be a Bi-Lo on your right). Follow the road around the bend to the first light (Rite-Aid Drug Store on the Corner). TURN RIGHT at the light onto SC Hwy. 707 North. School is located on the left at next traffic light. TURN LEFT into the parking lot.

CAR PARKING: TURN LEFT at LIGHT – parking is straight ahead, inside the gate.
BUS/EQUIPMENT VEHICLE PARKING: TURN LEFT at LIGHT in front of school – .
Parking for equipment is on the right side of the lot. There will be personnel directing traffic.

FROM the NORTH (US Highway 17 Bypass South Bound)

Follow US Hwy. 17 Bypass South to SC Hwy. 707 South. At traffic light (There will be a Kangaroo gas station on your right.) TURN RIGHT onto SC Hwy. 707 South, follow this to the school, (approx. 2 miles) The school will be on your RIGHT at the first traffic light after turning onto SC Hwy. 707. TURN RIGHT at the traffic light.

CAR PARKING: TURN RIGHT at LIGHT – parking is straight ahead, inside the gate.
BUS/EQUIPMENT VEHICLE PARKING: TURN RIGHT at LIGHT in front of school.
Parking for equipment is on the right side of the lot. There will be personnel directing traffic.



To Hwy.
544



Traffic Light





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SOCASTE WINTERGUARD COMPETITION PERFORMER WARM-UP AND PERFORMANCE FLOW MAP

