

Dear Athens Band Family,

Each year, the Athens Marching Band has the opportunity to perform in the MSBOA District 16 Marching Band Festival. This event is very similar to the MCBA Competitions we attend regularly during the fall. The main difference is that in our MCBA Competitions, groups receive a score between 0 and 100. In MSBOA Marching Festivals, groups instead receive a rating of I – V, much like we would in a concert band festival.

This year, we will be performing on Wednesday, October 12 at Sterling Heights High School.

This is an excellent opportunity for us to continue to hone our performance skills and to see some bands perform – who we would not normally see; including our cross-town rivals, Troy High School!

Tickets may be purchased in advance with the proceeds going to the Athens Band. Tickets purchased at the gate will benefit MSBOA District 16 and the activities that it sponsors for our students. **LOOK FOR CAROL ROTHENBERG** at the end of rehearsals on Wed., Oct. 5 and Oct. 12 for tickets – only \$2 each for this special event!

Sincerely,
Jeff McCoy

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**Itinerary:**

**Note: We will NOT use a home room for this show!!!! You will not have time to go to the concession stand at this show! PLEASE EAT BEFORE OUR REPORT TIME!!!!**

- 4:20 PM – percussion report and load equipment (change into uniform when loading is complete)
- 5:00 PM – all others report in uniform – brief “drum major time” with band
- 5:20PM – load buses
- 5:30 PM – depart for Sterling Hts. HS
- 5:50 PM – arrive at Sterling Hts HS
  - Percussion, guard, tubas, bari sax, unload equipment from trailers
  - All - Prepare for warm up
- 6:00 PM – visual warm up
- 6:40 PM – proceed to band photo area
- 6:50 PM – band photograph is taken
- 7:15 PM – official warm up time begins (focus, music warm up)
- 7:45 PM – travel to gate
- 8:00 PM – performance
  - Band moves to end zone area to watch 3 bands, including Troy High School.
  - Percussion, guard, tubas, bari sax, load equipment back into trailers
- 9:00 PM – load buses, depart for Athens (Except for Command Personnel)
- 9:10 PM – depart for AHS
- 9:35 PM – arrive at AHS

# **MSBOA District 16 Marching Band Festival Wednesday, October 12**

## **Schedule:**

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|-----------------------------------------|
| <b>6:30 PM - Avondale HS</b>            |
| <b>6:45 PM - Fitzgerald HS</b>          |
| <b>7:00 PM - De La Salle HS</b>         |
| <b>7:15 PM - East Detroit HS</b>        |
| <b>7:30 PM - Warren Woods Tower HS</b>  |
| <b>7:45 PM - Sterling Heights HS</b>    |
| <b>8:00 PM - Troy Athens HS</b>         |
| <b>8:15 PM - L'Anse Creuse HS North</b> |
| <b>8:30 PM - Stevenson HS</b>           |
| <b>8:45 PM - Troy HS</b>                |
| <b>9:00 PM - Fraser HS</b>              |