



West Tennessee Strawberry Festival

Dear Band Directors,

We welcome all of you to participate in our WTSF parades this year.

We have changed the way we have always done things. We will no longer have a competition in this parade. This enables everyone the opportunity to come out and have FUN and let the kids enjoy themselves.

We will be giving \$350.00 plus \$.054 per mile in participation money. We will figure mileage by using Google maps plus an additional 5.4 miles will be added for the drive between start and finish locations.

Ex. \$350.00+60 miles @ \$0.54 per mile, plus additional 5.4 miles

$\$350.00+33.00+3.00= \386.00

We are excited to have your band participating in the Annual West Tennessee Strawberry Festival Parade! We are looking forward to a great day!

Information for the day:

1. Buses will unload and into parade line-up at Bailey Park. Restrooms and shelter are close to this location.
2. Buses should move as quickly as possible to the Jones Co. parking lot on the west end of Main Street.
3. You will receive an envelope upon arrival that contains the order of the parade and where to line up. Bus route signs will be posted at all highway entrances into Humboldt to direct you to the park. (This route follows Highway 70-79 to the highway from Milan toward downtown Humboldt.)
4. The parade will start at the corner of 22nd Avenue and Main Street at 9:30 a.m. and move west through the downtown area. Bands will continue on Main Street into the bus parking area. Continue in formation onto the parking lot. Please, do not dismiss on the street.
5. **No stopping is allowed on the route unless the Parade Marshall stops the parade ahead of you.**
6. Bands should not have more than 4 people accompanying them on the parade route. We recommend 1 person on each corner of the band as they move along the parade route. Bands may be disqualified if a congregation of people is accompanying them along the parade route hindering the progress of the parade.
7. After your band is dismissed, there will be a concession stand for your students to buy food and drinks. The Humboldt Band will also provide water for everyone.
8. NEW PERFORMANCE SYSTEM
9. **Rain Day Plans: If we experience rainy weather, everyone will report to the Humboldt High School Gym. We will give further instructions at that location. If we are unable to march the parade route, we will perform in the gym without marching. The Director's Luncheon and awards will be held afterwards in the cafeteria.**

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact us. We look forward to seeing you at the 79th Annual West Tennessee Strawberry Festival!

Sincerely,

Julie Kail, Band Chairman

Heather Glenn-Hoekstra, Humboldt Jr./Sr. High School Band Director

Melissa Swingler, West Tennessee Strawberry Festival President