

Blackhawk Brigade
November 4th, 2017
ISSMA State Finals Itinerary

Practice this week

Wednesday 2:30 - 5:30 p.m.

Friday 2:30 - 5:30 p.m.

State meal around 6:15 p.m.

Load trailer after practice at 5:30 p.m.

Saturday

5:00 a.m.

Arrive at Springs Valley Jr./Sr. High School. **EAT BEFORE YOU ARRIVE.**

We won't eat lunch until 2:30 p.m.

You might want to get here slightly earlier if it takes you long to dress.

Report to band room

This is very important! Don't be late! We did a great job last week.

Remember black socks. Dress in .coms, shorts, uniform pants, and guard uniforms.

Take uniform bags with jacket, gauntlets and gloves on the bus.

I am sorry it is so early. We do not have control over the performance times or that Indianapolis is so far away with construction in between. We have tried to consolidate the times as much as possible while leaving in some emergency time should anything go amiss. We won't go on early again for three years.

5:15

Depart for Center Grove High School in Greenwood, IN.

Guard bring button up shirt to put on over uniform while doing make-up.

We have 40 mins to unload and get to warm-up when we arrive at LOS.

7:20

Arrive at Center Grove High School in Greenwood, IN.

Unload, use the restroom, guard find equipment.

Do two visual only runs in the stadium.

Dress into uniform, get hat, put on gauntlets and gloves.

8:15

Depart for Lucas Oil Stadium - Indianapolis, IN.

9:00

Arrive at Lucas Oil Stadium Lot

Unload Equipment, large instruments and Props. Get plume.

Adult Prop Helpers need to stay with props as band travels to warm-ups.

Small stage pieces and field commander podium will travel with band.

9:39

Transit to Dock

9:44

Arrive at Dock

9:59

Transit to Physical Warm-Up B

10:04

Physical Warm-Up B

10:28

Transit to Music Warm-Up B

10:33

Musical Warm-Up B

10:57

Transit to Field

11:10

PERFORM

GO FOR THE OUTSIDE HASH MARKS

THE INSIDE HASHES ARE THE NFL HASH MARKS

THE OUTSIDE WHITE HASHES ARE THE ONES WE USE

After we perform, the entire band will exit the stadium and load all equipment onto the semi. After semi is loaded the entire group will report back to stadium for milk party.

12:15 p.m. Awards Ceremony Begins

After Awards Report to Buses.
USE RESTROOMS IN PORTALET

Attendance in Section
Find and Load Buses
Depart for Meijer Parking Lot in Greenwood, IN..

1:30 Meijer Parking Lot - Change out of uniform.
Eat at Texas Roadhouse - thanks to Justin Winger
All students, comp tickets and field pass individuals eat for free.

3:00 Depart for French Lick

5:30 p.m. Arrive at Springs Valley Jr/Sr High School
This time is approximate.
Unload

This will be the 28th ISSMA State Finals appearance for the Blackhawk Brigade. This is a huge honor for the band program and all of the students, staff and parents that have added to the rich tradition of our program. Always remember what it takes to get to this level of competition. Remember all of the sacrifice, hard work, dedication and expense that was needed to arrive at this moment. This band has added itself to a storied tradition. From this moment on, future members of the Blackhawk Brigade will see “2017” when they see the semi . Future students will look at this year’s band as an example of success. This is something that cannot be taken away from this band. No judge, rating, ranking, placement or comment can ever take this honor away from the students. Keep this in mind during the awards ceremony. We have already been successful this season and our goals of improving have been met. Enjoy State Finals and do not get too discouraged or excited with the placing. However, DO get excited and encouraged to produce the best performance of the season and possibly of our program’s history.

Remember – Luck is where preparation meets opportunity. Our preparation is complete! It is now time to take advantage of the opportunity in front of us.

“We choose to go to the moon in this decade and do the other things, not because they are easy, but because they are hard. Because that goal will serve to organize and measure the best of our energies and skills. Because that challenge is one that we are willing to accept, one we are unwilling to postpone, and one which we intend to win, and the others, too.”

John F. Kennedy