



Bands of America Ballad Health East Tennessee Regional Championship presented by Yamaha

October 18, 2025 - Johnson City, TN

Information Updated: August 19, 2025



[Spectator Guide & Tickets](#)

Schedules

*The Ballad Health East Tennessee Regional Championship will operate on **Eastern Time**.*

[Daily Schedule](#)

[Prelims Schedule](#)

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Maps

[Stadium Map](#)

[Overview Map](#)

Arrival

Band App

Each BAND is event specific. Join the 2025 BAND [here](#).

Bus/Truck Parking Location

- Enter the parking lots from **South Greenwood Drive**, turn left onto **Go Bucs Trail**
- BOA staff will be on hand to meet you and give your drivers parking instructions
- There is no eating, warm-up, or stretching allowed in the parking lots
- BOA does NOT provide bus driver hospitality areas

Parking Passes

[Parking Pass \(PDF\)](#)

Band Check-In

- Location: east end of the bus and truck parking lot
- Opens 30 minutes after the first parking lot arrival time. See Prelims Schedule.
- Each band must check in to receive their check-in packet (final schedule, participant segment patches, and event credentials) and complete the Pre-Draw for Finals

Restrooms and Changing Facilities

- Restrooms: visitor side of the dome (not near parking or warm-up)
- Limited number of port-a-lets will be available near the bus/truck parking lots

Student Safety

Participant Hydration

- It is the responsibility of each band to ensure proper hydration of its members throughout the duration of the event.
- Bands of America will provide a potable water bottle filling station.
- These water stations will be equipped with water horses and continuously flowing water. Bands of America will NOT PROVIDE CUPS.
- LOCATION: east of warm-up



Weather

Bands of America defers to the weather policies and safety protocols of the facilities in which we operate. On-site updates will be provided via the BAND app for this

event.

Warm-Up

Warm-Up Information

BAND WARM-UP

- LOCATION: practice fields across the street, south of the bus/truck parking lot
- SURFACE: grass
- Separate area for pit percussion
- Groups MUST report to their assigned warm-up at their scheduled time, as BOA doesn't provide guides. Late arrivals cannot extend their time.
- BOA staff will monitor time and direct groups to the gate, providing 15 and 5-minute warnings. Groups must exit by the end of their time, starting to move out at 2 minutes.
- New groups can enter as the previous one exits, following BOA staff directions.
- Warm-up/rehearsal on-site is only allowed during the assigned time and location.

BATTERY

- LOCATION: With the band in the Band Warm-Up Area
- SURFACE: grass

PIT PERCUSSION

- LOCATION: south of the spectator parking garage (see Site Overview Map)
- SURFACE: Paved Surfaces
- Pit percussion moves to the gate 15 minutes before band report time.
- Pit percussion can warm-up with the band, though it's not recommended due to the distance.
- Battery can warm up with either the band or the front ensemble.

WIRELESS SYSTEMS AND ELECTRONICS

- Wireless microphone transmitters, wireless networks, and audio and/or lighting control devices may not be used in warm-up areas.
- Wired instruments, including guitars, keyboards etc. may be used in warm-up at reasonable volumes or while not amplified.

Instrument Repair

- A small repair kit and limited number of instruments will be available at Band Check-In.

Performance

Field Entry Timing

The full entrance sequence and announcement examples are listed in the BOA Adjudication Handbook.

THE SEQUENCE

At the Gate: Band arrives at the gate per schedule (no band guides). Explain your setup to BOA Staff for clarity.

Goal Line: Just before pre-set, we'll move the band to the GOAL LINE. BOA staff will countdown the start of your 4 minute set-up time.

Take the Field: 4 minutes before show time, enter the field as rehearsed (drum taps, pre-show music, etc.). Short warm-ups are allowed within this time. All setup (props/staging) **MUST** be within these 4 minutes.

- **Props:** Rehearse field entry with prop movers for a smooth performance day. No extra time for prop movement/assembly.
- **Front Ensemble:** A BOA official will coordinate this entrance at the same time as the band entrance.

Announcement: At 3 minutes 15 seconds (of the 4 minutes), the announcement begins. BOA Staff can cue your drum major(s) for the announcement and salute (optional).

- **Note:** The BOA announcement does NOT ask, "Is your band ready?"

Perform: Begin after the announcement. All adults must be off the field at this time.

Clear the Field: You have 2 minutes after your show to clear the field – all props, personnel, and parents.

Gate Dimensions and Stadium Flow

- BOA's prop rules apply regardless of venue's gate and tunnel dimensions. See Adjudication Handbook.

BAND, PROPS AND PIT PERCUSSION FIELD ENTRY AND EXIT

- Front, Side 1
- Garage door is 14' wide and 15' wide
- From warm-up, the route to performance is a closed road. See Site Overview Map.

NOTE: The stadium has limited sideline space as well as raised seating. This may require adjustments to your pit percussion speakers and drum major podium placement.

To assist with the lack of front sideline space, drum majors can stand in the reserved front row of the spectator stands. Access to the spectator stands is via staircases at either end zone.

Field Markings

- Both NCAA/Texas High School & Traditional High School Field Markings
- NCAA/Texas High School markings: white, 60' from the front and back sidelines and 40' apart. These are marked every yard.
- High School field markings: yellow, 53'4" from the front and back sidelines and 53'4" apart. These markings will be placed every five yards.
- **Livestream microphones will be placed 1 foot outside the 15-foot line on the 35 and 50-yard lines**

Director Viewing Area

- **LOCATION:** reserved seats in the middle of Section D
- **ROUTE:** Field level stairs on side 1 goal line

Adjudicators

- LOCATION: Judges will be located in the top of the press box
- Adjudication Panel Biographies
- All scores and recaps will be released after the Finals Awards Ceremony.

Adjudication Handbook

[Adjudication Handbook](#)

Award Ceremonies

- PRELIMS: This is a Drum Majors ONLY ceremony.
- A Finalist Directors Meeting will be held right after Preliminary Awards. Drum majors are encouraged to attend. You'll receive the finals schedule, field passes, and Finals Awards information.
 - LOCATION: Press Room under the home seats; access via field level 20-yard line
- FINALS: full band Olympic-style retreat.
- Class champions not advancing to finals are invited to perform in exhibition and the Finals Awards.
- Read the [Awards Ceremony Walkthrough](#).
- [Finale Staging Map \(PDF\)](#)

Post-Performance

Student Re-Entry

- LOCATION: Students should enter as a group at Band Re-Entry. See Site Overview Map.
- Students receive wristbands at band check-in for spectator entry (Prelims AND Finals)
- Only clear bags and emergency bags will be permitted.

Photography

Jolesch Enterprises will be on-site taking action photos on the field level and awards photos. Ordering information is available online at joleschenterprises.com.

Picnic Location

- Outside food and beverage are NOT allowed to be brought into the stadium.
- LOCATION: east side of campus, Quad south east of the stadium
- The stadium will be cleared, and concessions will be closed during the dinner break between Prelims and Finals.
- Food Delivery: There will be a designated food delivery drop-off zone at the **back of the dome on Sherrod Drive**. Bands getting food delivered should prepare to meet the drivers here and bring their food to the picnic area.