

# Bands of America San Antonio Super Regional Championship presented by Yamaha

November 7-8, 2025 - Alamodome - San Antonio, TX Information Updated: July 29, 2025



### **Spectator Guide & Tickets**

## **Schedules**

The San Antonio Super Regional Championship will operate on Central Time.

# **Maps**

## **Arrival**

# **Band App**

Each BAND is event specific. Join the 2025 BAND here.

# **Bus/Truck Parking Location**

- Buses will access Parking Lot C from Cherry Street (see Site Overview Map).
- **Trucks** will enter Parking Lot A, via Cesar E. Chavez Blvd at the specified time on the Prelims schedule (see Site Overview Map).
  - Trucks arriving prior to Lot Arrival Time specified on the prelims schedule, should report to the offsite holding lot, north of the stadium (See Parking Maps)
- 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: west side of Bus Parking Lot (Lot C); near the train tracks
- Opens 30 minutes after the first parking lot arrival time. See Prelims Schedule.
  - On Friday, Band-Check-In will be open until all Friday bands have been checked-in (typically 7:00 PM). There will be a BAND APP notification on Friday evening to communicate exact times.
  - Saturday bands are welcome to check-in on Friday.
- 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**

- Due to the distance and logistics of entering the stadium, it is recommended for your students to arrive at the Alamodome IN UNIFORM, or to utilize your buses for changing.
- A limited number of port-a-lets will be available on the west side of the Bus Lot (Lot C), as well as in the truck lot (Lot A) near pit warm-up.

# **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 statio equipped with water horses and continuously flowing water.
- LOCATION: loading dock, near Pit Entry
- NOTE:
  - There are water fountains accessible in the warm-up rooms.
  - There is also a post-performance water station with cups on the concourse. Access this after your group photo.



## 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.

# **Clear Bag Policy**

View the Alamodome clear bag policy.

# Warm-Up

# **Warm-Up Information**

#### **BAND WARM-UP**

- Separated areas for Band and Battery, Guard, and Pit Percussion
- LOCATION: indoors; 2 large meeting rooms Enter the stadium via the Southwest Field Tunnel
  - All rooms have single door entries. Any equipment and personnel brought inside MUST go into the warm-up rooms the hallways must remain clear. The indoor route to warm-up is 8' high at its shortest point.
- 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.

#### **COLOR GUARD**

- LOCATION: outdoors on the North Plaza
  - Enter the stadium with your band, then continue past the warm-up rooms to use the Northwest Stairs to take them up to the plaza
  - After warm-up, proceed down the Northwest Stairs and meet your band. Enter the field on front, side 2
- Optional: indoor shared space on event level to be used for stretching, body, and spinning
  - THIS IS A NO TOSSING AREA.

#### **BATTERY**

- LOCATION: With the band in the Band Warm-Up Area
- Optional: Battery MAY warm-up in the Pit Percussion area XXXXXXXXXXX

#### PIT PERCUSSION

- LOCATION: Lot A, south of the stadium
- SURFACE: Paved Surfaces
- To assist with space in Lot A once your pit equipment is unloaded, please move equipment to the warm-up area for setup and final equipment preparation.
- Pit percussion moves to the gate 15 minutes before band report time.

#### 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.
- Wireless systems may be tested during scheduled show breaks per rule 18.05 and 18.06 in the BOA Adjudication Handbook.

## **Instrument Repair**

• A small repair kit and limited number of instruments will be available. If needed, seek assistance from MFA staff in warm-up or near the field.

#### **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 venues gate and tunnel dimensions. See Adjudication Handbook.

## BAND, BATTERY AND COLOR GUARD FIELD ENTRY

- Front, Side 2
- Gate is 9' high and 12' wide
  - Students needed to move props should leave warm-up early, and backtrack to the loading dock to enter the field on back, side 1

#### PIT PERCUSSION FIELD ENTRY

- Front, Side 1
- Gate is 13' high and 18' wide

#### PROP ENTRY

- Small props may come with the students and go into the warm-up areas. Items may not be left in the hallway. **The indoor route to warm-up is 8' high at its shortest point.**
- Large props will stage outside, and be brought into the loading dock at the designated time (25 min prior to performance). Props will enter **Back, Side 1**
- Gate is 13' high and 18' wide

#### FIELD EXIT (ALL)

- Front, Side 1
- Gate is 13' high and 18' wide
- PRELIMS: Clear the field, and store props and pit percussion outside in the loading dock. Wind, Battery, and Color Guard should proceed into the stands <u>with equipment</u> and store equipment on the concourse. You will take your group photo and exit via the concourse.
  - During photos, pit crews, prop movers, etc. will be expected to continue moving directly back to the Truck Lot to prepare for reloading.
- FINALS: Everyone exits **Front, Side 1** and proceeds up the ramp to return to their trucks.

# 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: Top of Section 113
- ROUTE: Field level, take stairs on field level
- AUDIO CONTROL AREA: Upper Level of the Pressbox Booth G
  - Elevator Level 4 access via the west elevators and follow signage to the booth.
  - Up to 2 credentialed staff members may be in the booth during YOUR BAND'S PERFORMANCE. Obtain the proper credential from Band Check-In.

# **Adjudicators**

- LOCATION: Judges will be located in the upper level of the pressbox.
- Adjudication Panel Biographies
- All scores and recaps will be released after the Finals Awards Ceremony.

# **Adjudication Handbook**

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## **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.

- 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 the Band Re-Entry gate (southeast corner Gate 6, Plaza Level). 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 group, section, and field-level action photos and awards photos. See Site Overview Map for group photo location.

Ordering information is available online at joleschenterprises.com.

## **Picnic Location**

- Outside food and beverage are NOT allowed to be brought into the stadium.
- Individual water jugs are allowed through the Band Re-Entry gates.
- PICNIC LOCATION: designated area in South end of Lot C
- The stadium will be cleared, and concessions will be closed during the dinner break between Prelims and Finals.
- Food Delivery: A designated drop-off location will be in the **North End of Lot B, off of Cherry Street**. (See Site Overview Map.) Bands getting food delivered should prepare to meet the drivers here and bring their food to the picnic area.