

Bands of America Southeastern Regional Championship presented by Yamaha

November 1, 2025 - Doug Cochran Stadium - White, GA Information Updated: September 16, 2025



Spectator Guide & Tickets

Schedules

The Southeastern Regional Championship will operate on **Eastern Time**.

Daily Schedule

Prelims Schedule

Finals Schedule

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 Colnel Way NE
 - Buses will park in the east lot at the high school, and overflow parking will be at the elementary school
 - Trucks will continue north; park between the high school and the baseball fields

- 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: south end of bus overflow parking, along Colonel Way
- 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: High school and elementary school buildings will be open
- Limited number of port-a-lets will be available near 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 station.
- These water stations will be equipped with water horses and continuously flowing water. Bands of America will NOT PROVIDE CUPS.
- LOCATION: on the path to/from field entry/exit



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: south of the elementary school
- SURFACE: mixed paved and grass surfaces
- 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: mixed paved and grass surfaces

PIT PERCUSSION

- LOCATION: east of the high school, between bus and truck parking
- SURFACE: concrete
- 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.

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: We will move the band to the GOAL LINE. BOA staff will count down the start of your 4-minute set-up time.

Take the Field: 4 minutes before show time, enter the field as you have rehearsed. All setup (prop staging, warm-up, etc.) MUST be within these 4 minutes.

• **Props:** Rehearse field entry with prop movers for a smooth performance day.

• 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 (or be making substantial progress towards the exit side) – 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. PIT PERCUSSION, AND PROP FIELD ENTRY AND EXIT

- Front, Side 2
- Gate is 12'1" wide, with no height restrictions

Field Markings

- High School field markings: white, 53'4" from the front and back sidelines and 53'4" apart. These markings will be placed every yard.
- 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 stands, near the 50-yard line
- ROUTE: Field level, end zone stairs

Adjudicators

- LOCATION: Judges will be located in the top of the press box
- Adjudication Panel Biographies are posted online on the event's Spectator Guide. Caption assignments will be released on event morning at Band Check-In.
- 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.
 - LOCATION: Inside the high school. Classroom TBD.
- 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. 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 <u>joleschenterprises.com</u>.

Picnic Location

- Outside food and beverage are NOT allowed to be brought into the stadium.
- LOCATION: Inside Cass High School. Both the courtyard and cafeteria will be available.
- 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 front door of the high school (under the clock tower). Bands getting food delivered should prepare to meet the drivers here and bring their food to the picnic area.