

April 16, 2021

Dear Band Director:

Greetings from the Mountain State Forest Festival!

We hope this email finds you and your bands students doing well during these difficult times. We are reaching out to let you know that plans are underway for the 2021 edition of the Mountain State Forest Festival Grand Feature Parade and the Jack Basil Field Show. Both events are sanctioned and scored by Tournament of Bands. We are reaching out early so that you may have time to include these events on your fall band schedule. You will also be notified of any schedule changes as plans progress over the next several months.

Not unlike many other things in the world today, the Jack Basil Field Show will be a little different this year. In 2020 the bleachers at Wimer Stadium were condemned and subsequently torn down. While plans are being made for the future of the Wimer Stadium, none of the proposed plans will be in effect in time for the field show. Therefore, we have had to relocate the field show to Buckhannon-Upshur High School. We are appreciative to BUHS and Philip Barbour High School, who both reached to offer assistance during this time. More information regarding the logistics of how your band will be moved from the end of the Grand Feature Parade to BUHS will be made available in the near future. In the meantime, here are the details about dates and times for the events.

We will be awarding a Mountain State Forest Festival Grand Champion for the Open Class **AND** a Mountain State Forest Festival Grand Champion for the A Class.

As a high school band, you have the option to participate in the following on October 9, 2021:

- Grand Feature Parade at 1:30 pm eligible for cash prizes!
- Jack Basil Field Competition at 5:00 pm Tournament of Bands competition
- Participation in the Grand Feature Parade **AND** the Jack Basil Field Competition allows you to be eligible for Mountain State Forest Festival Grand Champion award, this is based on combined parade and field show scores

Bands are no longer required to compete in both events, however, we highly encourage you to participate in both to be eligible for the Mountain State Forest Festival Grand Champion awards. Only those bands participating in both events will be eligible for the Grand Champion awards.

Parade Information:

- Parade judging is based on Group 1, 2, 3, 4 by TOB band size
- Parade prizes range from \$100 \$1000
- Parade registration is via 2021 Mountain State Forest Festival Entry Form (attached) or TOB WINDI <u>www.njatob.org</u>

Field Show Information:

- Field show judging is based on Group 1, 2, 3, 4, with Festival, A Class, and Open Class
- Field show prizes are based on TOB scores with award plaques from MSFF
- TOB member bands will receive their pre-sale tickets by 9/24/2021
- Field show registration via TOB WINDI system <u>www.njatob.org</u>
- Entry form to the Mountain State Forest Festival

Please provide your band picture and information to us as soon as possible if you wish to be included in the field show program.

If you have any questions, or need more information, please contact one of us at the numbers below or via email at <u>karrahwashington@gmail.com</u> <u>zerowas18@gmail.com</u> <u>skeeterjay2003@yahoo.com</u>. We look forward to seeing you in October!

Sincerely,

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2021 Mountain State Forest Festival

PARADE AND FIELD SHOW ENTRY FORM

Please Note: Information provided will be for announcing during the videotaping of the parade and for the Jack Basil Band Field Competition

Full Name of School	
Band Name	
Band Nickname/Mascot (if applicable)	
School Colors	
City and State	
Director's Work Phone #	
Director's Cell Phone # (Required*)	
Assistant Directors (if applicable)	
Name of Drum Major(s)	
Name of Feature Twirler (if applicable)	
# of Playing Members	
Total # of Auxiliary (flags, majorettes,	
banner carriers, shields etc.)	

Please list recent awards your band has received and special performances your band has participated in

Parade Information

Please indicate the songs to be played in the parade

Field Show Information Title of Field Show (if applicable)			
Name of songs to be played in field sho	W		
Other Information			
I am applying for (check only one)Parade ONLYFiel	d Show ONLY	BOTH Para	de & Field Show
Is your band a Tournament of Bands me	ember for the 202	20-2021 school year	? YES NO
If yes, what TOB group has your band b	een performing i	n this season? I	II III IV
What class is your band competing in?	Open Class	A Class	Festival Class

RELEASE

By signing this form, I release the Mountain State Forest Festival from all personal or property damage that may occur because of my participation in the Mountain State Forest Festival.

Directors Signature	Date
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