

## Saturday 10/21 Competition Schedule

Due to scheduling conflicts at the Vero Beach HS competition, the band will be traveling to University High School in Orlando following MPA to compete in The University Classic.

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**Call time is 7:30 AM**

### NEW PERMISSION SLIPS

At Monday night's rehearsal, all students received a new permission slip for this weekend's trip. EVERYONE must submit a new permission slip in order to go on Saturday!!! Please turn this in by **Wednesday, October 18**.

### WEAR to school:

**Partial Uniform** (everything but the top and jacket for instrumentalists):

Instrumentalists:

Compression Shorts/Sliders

Black Compression Shirt

Black Calf-length or longer Socks

Black Vipers

Bibbers

SHOW HAIR

Color Guard:

Tank Tops

Black Shorts or Leggings

Ponytail ready to be braided

**Sunscreen!!!**

## BRING to school:

**Water Cooler** for morning warm up (leave at school)

**Healthy Bagged Lunch** for bus after MPA

**CASH** for dinner at University HS Concessions after performance

Homework to do on the bus!

**ALL other items needed for your uniform and after performing (in your garment bag):**

### Instrumentalists:

Top

Jacket

Gloves

**Show Shirt**

### Color Guard:

Costume/Undergarments as appropriate

Performance shoes

Items to do show hair and makeup

Full show hair and makeup (finish on bus)

**Show Shirt**

## AFTER THE PERFORMANCE - **Show Shirts NEEDED**

After performing, Instrumentalists will change into half uniform - show shirt over bibbers, no top or jacket. Color Guard will wear the show shirt over their costume. Students will load the trucks, watch other bands and eat dinner at concessions.

**Students are expected to stay on the high school campus in the vicinity of the competition at all times. Students should use the "buddy system" and have at least two other people with them at all times.**

**Please remember that while you are on this trip you are representing the band, the school, and the Town of Jupiter at ALL times (in AND out of uniform) and all school rules apply. Any violations of school rules or band handbook rules may result in loss of performance and will be dealt with when we get back to school.**

## DISMISSAL FROM JHS

Students will be dismissed from the JHS band room ONLY **after the trucks and buses are fully unloaded and all section-assigned areas are picked up.** This should be a joint effort, and we will get this done quickly if everyone helps.

## ATTENDING MPA

For those who would like to attend, admission is \$10 per person.

Palm Beach Central High School is located at 8499 Forest Hill Blvd. in Wellington, about 7 miles west of I-95. Spectators should enter the parking area at the traffic light just past the stadium and proceed to far end of parking lot. There will be a \$5 parking donation.

**The Spirit of Jupiter is scheduled to perform at 11:30 am.**

It is very likely that ONLY CASH will be accepted at this venue.

## **ATTENDING THE COMPETITION**

For those who would like to attend The University Classic, tickets are **\$10**; students with a valid ID are \$7; Children age 4 – 13 are \$5; Children age 3 and under are free. A family of four or more is \$25.00.

**NO one is admitted to the stadium without a wrist band.**

University HS is located at 2450 Cougar Way in Orlando. Access to spectator parking is through the “east gate,” near the intersection of Cougar Way and Eastwood Dr. Turn left after entering the gate to get to the stadium parking lot. We have no information on fees for parking.

**It is very likely that ONLY CASH will be accepted for all purchases at the competition.**

**The Spirit of Jupiter is scheduled to perform at 4:40 pm.** It is HIGHLY recommended that you arrive 30-45 minutes before that. You will not be permitted entrance in the stands while a band is performing.

A full performance schedule (all bands) is attached.

Absolutely NO cooking or meal preparation is permitted on school grounds. Failure to abide will result in a penalty to the band’s score.

## **GET REMIND TEXTS**

If you have not subscribed to the Spirit of Jupiter Remind group, you should! Mr. Gekoskie sends out important reminders, including approximate dismissal times after competitions. To subscribe, text the message

@sojupiter

to 81010.

The University Classic also has Remind texts set up for the event regarding scheduling issues, weather delays, etc. To subscribe, text the message

@uhsclassic

to 81010. Your number will be removed from the group after the show.

**BUS ASSIGNMENTS** will be posted in the band room by Friday.

Do NOT ask to switch buses. Students must ride on their assigned buses for attendance purposes - NO EXCEPTIONS.

Girls must sit with girls and boys must sit with boys per school district rules. Everyone must share a row - no single seats.

Students are responsible for throwing away their own trash on the bus. Do NOT leave a mess behind.

NO SPRAYING of any type of deodorant, cologne, perfume, etc. on the bus!!

We will have a “quiet time” 5-10 minutes prior to arriving at the competition site.

# Saturday Competition Schedule

## MPA / The University Classic

October 21, 2017

**7:30 am** - CALL TIME / Warm up in JHS Stadium

**8:30 am** - Load equipment/props on trucks

**9:00 am** - Buses arrive / Load equipment on buses

**9:30 am** – Depart Jupiter HS

**10:15 am** – Arrive at Palm Beach Central HS

**11:30 am** – Perform at MPA - **NO PROPS**

**12:30 pm** – Depart Palm Beach Central HS / Eat bag lunch on the bus

**3:00 pm** – Arrive University HS

**3:20 pm** – Warm Up

**4:40 pm** – PERFORM

**5:00 pm** – Load trucks / Watch Bands / Eat Dinner at Concessions

**8:00 pm** – Awards

**8:45 pm** – Depart University HS

**10:45 pm** – Arrive at JHS / Unload trucks / Pick up band room / ALL STUDENTS MUST HELP

**11:15 pm** - Approximate Dismissal Time

**\*\* STUDENTS WILL NOT BE DISMISSED UNTIL EVERYTHING IS UNLOADED \*\***

# Competition FAQ

*My child forgot their socks! What does he/she do?*

Uniform Team members are available before competitions to sell extra socks. Students should always have an extra pair on hand.

*Do students really need to wear the show shirt for the current year?*

YES - After a competition performance, students will wear the half uniform with show shirt over it. All band members must be uniform and wear the show shirt for the CURRENT YEAR.

*What are Happy Grams?*

Happy Grams can be purchased at most competitions. These are short messages read immediately prior to the band's performance as words of encouragement and praise for students. Prices are typically \$3 each, cash only.

*Who are retreat people?*

At the end of every competition, there is a "retreat" or awards ceremony on the field. Each band sends student representatives to accept awards. The rest of the band remains in the stands. The retreat people always include the drum majors, and sometimes include others, usually Color Guard captains and/or seniors in leadership. The exception to this is the FMBC Finals in the Tropicana Dome; the entire band goes on the field for that retreat.

*Do competitions generally run on time or do they run late?*

The schedule is usually very accurate. They have breaks in between groups of bands so they can catch up on time if they need to, but the shows typically run like clockwork. The band may sometimes be delayed on the return trip home due to loading of equipment, unexpected traffic, etc. Mr. Gekoskie will send a Remind text with an approximate arrival time to JHS. Students are not dismissed until all equipment has been unloaded and put away.

*When do students eat dinner?*

Students typically eat dinner after the competition performance. Students return to the buses to change into half uniform, then we enter the stadium as a group to find seating, then they are dismissed to purchase food from concessions. Water is provided prior to the performance and immediately after. Water and snacks are also provided for the bus ride home. **DONATIONS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME!**

*What is FMBC?*

FMBC is the Florida Marching Band Coalition, an organization that was founded to provide the means for a consistent and educationally based evaluation system for marching band performance. Jupiter HS participates in FMBC regional events to prepare for FMBC Semi-Finals held each year in November in the Tampa area.

For more information about FMBC, including event schedules and recaps, [contest rules and regulations](#), and FMBC newsletters, visit <http://fmbcstate.com/>.