

# 2017 FMBC Schedule/Information

**Please see the attached file for very important information regarding the Tampa state marching band competition/trip.**

Information below includes:

- Emergency Contacts
- Friday Rehearsal
- Saturday Arrival - detailed itinerary attached
- JHS Parking Information
- Donations Needed: Dry Snacks and Cases of Water
- Pre-purchase Band O Grams at Semis
- Meals for the Weekend / CASH NEEDED FOR THE TRIP
- Performance Times
- Student Pick Up - **Early pick up must be pre-approved by Mr. Gekoskie!**
- Medications
- FMBC Merchandise Available: Shirts, Patches, DVDs
- Live Stream Information

The attached packet includes:

- [FMBC Packing List](#)
- [FMBC Trip Rules](#)
- [Weekend itinerary for our band](#)
- [FMBC 4A Semi-finals Schedule](#)
- [Plant HS Band O Gram Form](#)
- [Plant HS Maps](#)
- [Ticketing/Parking information](#)
- [Prohibited Items at Tropicana Field](#)
- [Addresses for rehearsal/performance locations and hotel](#)
- [Tropicana Field Site Map](#)
- [Tropicana Field Parking Map](#)
- [JHS Overnight Parking Sign](#)
- [FMBC Attendance and Visitor Guidelines](#)
- [Information about the FMBC judging process](#)

**Parents: In the event of an EMERGENCY** while we are on the trip, please contact one of these chaperones:

Susan Taylor: 561-628-7402

Debra Wasserman: 561-352-8584

## **Rehearsal on Friday, November 17: 3:00 PM**

Wear regular rehearsal attire

5:45 PM - FINAL RUN THROUGH

6:00 PM - Load trucks

7:00 PM - Students dismissed

**BEFORE YOU LEAVE: Get a luggage tag from Mrs. Holtz!! Put this tag on the luggage that goes UNDER the bus before you come to school on Saturday!**

**PARENTS are responsible for anything/everything in their student's luggage. Please check the contents of your student's luggage prior to loading the buses. All school, band, local and federal policies/rules/laws are always in effect. Students are representing Jupiter High School at all times for the duration of the trip.**

### Arrival on Saturday, November 18

**ALL STUDENTS: NO LATER than 5:30 AM.**

**ALL STUDENTS** must bring everything they need for the trip on Saturday morning!! Please review the enclosed packing list so students bring what is needed and do NOT bring things that they should not!

**Students should wear compression shirts/shorts/undergarments TO SCHOOL to make changing into uniforms as easy and quick as possible!**

Upon arrival at school, students should:

- 1 - Hang garment bag on racks in band hallway  
Please hang by last name - look for rings with letters on them
- 2 - Load luggage underneath bus as instructed  
Luggage should NOT go under the bus without a luggage tag
- 3 - Report to the band room

See a detailed itinerary for the weekend emailed previously and attached.

### IMPORTANT PARKING INFORMATION

Chaperones and students who are leaving their cars at school overnight must park in the **Daniel's Way** parking lot and place the attached parking sign on their dashboard. The lot will be locked after we leave and will remain locked until we return on Sunday.

Students should also be dropped off only at the Daniel's Way lot.

**IF you are getting picked up early in Tampa, DO NOT LEAVE A CAR in the Daniel's Way lot!**

### DONATIONS NEEDED

We need the following for this trip! Please consider donating! **Put donations in the band kitchen NO LATER THAN FRIDAY 11/17 AT 6:00 PM.**

Dry snacks  
Cases of Water

### Plant HS Band O Grams

Plant HS is selling Band O Grams NOW so you don't have to wait in line! Use the attached form for EACH Band O Gram you'd like read at the performance. Put the form and your payment in an envelope marked "FMBC BAND O GRAM" and place it in the marked collection box near the band kitchen **NO LATER THAN 6:00 PM FRIDAY NIGHT.**

We will get all forms back after semis to read on the buses on the way to Tropicana Field.

### Meals for the Weekend / CASH NEEDED

**EAT breakfast before arriving on Saturday OR BRING it to eat on the bus.**

Publix subs will be handed out on the bus Saturday morning. **It is RECOMMENDED that students bring a lunchbox with cooler pack in it to keep the sub chilled until ready to eat.**

Saturday's lunch will be at Ferg's across from Tropicana Field.

Students will have snacks on the bus after Finals.

Breakfast on Saturday is provided by the hotel.

Animal Kingdom tickets include one meal. **BRING CASH for a 2nd meal in the theme park.**

**Students may also want to bring extra cash** for t-shirts, DVDs, and other souvenirs available at the semi-finals and finals locations and the theme park. (For more information, see FMBC Merchandise below.)

**FOR ADULTS WHO PURCHASED SUBS:** Please pick up your sub on Saturday morning at 5:45 AM at JHS before we leave!

### **Performance Times**

The semi-finals performance at H.B. Plant HS in Tampa is at **11:58 AM** on Saturday, November 18. Retreat is at 1:22 PM. The schedule for Class 4A semi-finals performances as of 11/1 is attached. Any updates will be posted [here on the FMBC website](#).

For more information about the 4A Semifinals site, including a schedule, directions, and map, visit this website: <http://fmbcstate.com/4a-semi-finals-site>.

The top five bands in the Class 4A semi-finals will move on to the Finals and perform at Tropicana Field starting at 8:12 PM. The schedule for Finals performances is available [here on the FMBC website](#).

Gates open for Finals at 4:00 PM. Finals performances begin at 4:14 PM and are in order by class: 1A, 2A, 3A, 4A, and 5A. Finals awards/retreat at the dome is at 11:00 PM.

ALL PERFORMANCE TIMES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE.

See the attached Ticketing/Parking Information for more details about semis and finals.

Interior and exterior site maps for Tropicana Field are attached. Note that ticket sales are at Gate 4 and spectator entrances are at Gate 3 and Gate 5.

### **Student Pick Up**

**Students will be returning to JHS on Sunday at approximately 11:00 PM.**

**IMPORTANT: When you pick up your child, park in a parking space!** Please do not block the loading/unloading areas near the where the buses will park.

**Students who are NOT going to the theme park** must be picked up *by a parent* from Tropicana Field on Saturday night immediately following the awards ceremony (approximately **12:00am**) OR on Sunday morning at the Tampa Marriott Westshore at 7:00 AM. Arrangements must be made with Mr. Gekoskie NOW if you have not already done so.

**Students getting picked up Sunday morning** must check out with a chaperone (TBD) at 7:00 AM IN THE HOTEL LOBBY. These students will NOT ride the bus to theme park on Sunday morning.

**ALL ALTERNATE TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS MUST BE PRE-APPROVED BY MR. GEKOSKIE!!**

### **Medications**

ALL medications required by students should be given to Mr. Gekoskie on **Friday evening**. He needs the ORIGINAL prescription bottle and medication schedule.

Per school district rules, students are not permitted to administer their own medication.

If you have any specific questions/concerns regarding medications, please contact Susan Taylor ASAP at [sflasue@bellsouth.net](mailto:sflasue@bellsouth.net).

## **FMBC Merchandise**

### T-Shirts and Patches

For the first time, t-shirts and patches can be PRE-ORDERED on the FMBC website:

<https://squareup.com/store/fmbcmerch>. Order online to pick up your merchandise at the counter at any site or pay a \$5 flat fee to ship to your home.

T-shirts do sell out early! If you are a student who wants a t-shirt and do not want to order early, you may want to ask a parent attending the events early to purchase one for you, OR plan on paying a little extra and purchasing online after the event.

### Programs

20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary programs are available on site only for \$5 each.

### DVDs

DVDs of FMBC performances are available for pre-sale at a discounted price starting this week at the Alliance Media website: <http://alliancemedial.wpengine.com/2017fmbc>. Save \$10 over post-show prices. DVDs will also be available at Tropicana Field and online after the event. The longer you wait to purchase DVDs, the more expensive they get.

Jupiter HS is on DVD 4 (4A Semifinals). DVD 7 is the 3A and 4A Finalists.

## **LIVE STREAM INFORMATION**

Can't attend on Saturday? You can watch a live feed in your own home for \$29! Visit <https://box5tv.com/alliance/> for more information and to sign up!

# **Go Spirit!!**