

SHS BAND - CONTEST INFORMATION

Henry Laurens Invitational

Laurens Area District 55 High School Stadium

5058 HWY 76, Laurens, SC

September 25, 2021

ITINERARY	CONTEST SCHEDULE	
9:45 am - Arrive at school		
10:00 am -rehearse at band field		
12:00 pm - Eat Barbeque (boosters provide)		
12:30 pm - Load Truck		
1:00 pm - Depart		
2:00 pm - Arrive/Register		
2:15 pm - Unload Equipment		
2:45 pm - Dress		
3:15 pm -Unpack Equipment		
3:30 pm - Line-Up w/Equip.		
3:40 pm - Marching Fundamentals		
3:45 pm - Warm-Up		
4:05 pm - All Sections Come Together		
4:25 pm - Move to Staging Area		
4:45 pm - Performance		
5:05 pm - Pack Equipment		
5:15 pm - Undress		
5:30 pm -Load Equipment		
6:00 pm - Seated Together on Home Side		
8:30 pm - Awards	Awards	8:30 PM
9:15 pm - Depart for Saluda		
10:45 pm - Dismissal from band room		

DIRECTIONS

Take Hwy 39. Merge onto US 221(Old Stagecoach Rd). Turn left on US 76 (W. Main St). School will be on the right.

GENERAL INFORMATION

- Students **MUST** eat breakfast prior to arriving.
- Family and friends are encouraged to attend all competitions. There will be a small admission fee at the gate.
- Supporters may follow the buses. For safety purposes, please keep a safe distance and **DO NOT** get between the buses. Supporters will not be permitted to park their cars with the buses.
- Students should bring a snack to eat upon arrival at Laurens High School. Drinks will be provided to students by the SHSBBC.
- Students should bring a sack lunch or money to purchase food from concessions. All students **MUST** eat. Parents may bring their children's food.
- No one is permitted in the press box or to contact the judges. Video Taping is permitted from the bleachers but no power source will be provided.
- Cheer for **ALL** bands. Each child has worked hard to prepare for this event. Cheer for the Soundwave. Part of the score is General Effect, which roughly translates into how enjoyable the performance is. Crowd response is important. Wear Purple. Sit with other SHS supporters.
- Do **NOT** enter or leave the seating area during a performance. Wait until between bands before moving. Do **NOT** talk during performances. Do **NOT** criticize other bands. Comments should always be positive. Adults should serve as positive role models in the stands. Courtesy is expected during all band performances. Rudeness and distracting noise will not be tolerated and can result in ejection from the stands and penalties assessed to the respective band.

CONTEST INFORMATION

- There will be eight judges - music judge (1 on field and 1 in press box), visual judge (1 on field and 1 in press box), overall effect judge (2 in the box), Percussion, and Guard. The following awards will be given, Participation, best hornline, color guard and drumline, top three in each class, and I/II/III champion.
- Classes are determined by contest chairman.

CONTEST GOAL

The Saluda Soundwave has but one goal - *to perform to our highest abilities.*

This is accomplished through dedication on the practice field and concentration on the competition field. If we perform to our standards, then we will have been successful even if we finish in last place. If we are awarded a placement at state, yet have not met our own goals, then we have done nothing of which to be proud.

As such, we must judge ourselves rather than rely on the opinions of individuals who only know our organization through a single seven-minute performance. We are only in competition with ourselves.

We do not criticize other bands. Instead, we cheer for them to succeed. In this sign of professionalism, we learn and earn the most valuable lesson of all - respect.