Included in the packet:

- Ticket wrist bands for **Equipment Truck and Bus Drivers (Blue)** – may be used to enter Spectator Area
- **20 Field Passes + up to an additional 15 purchased (orange wrist bands)**– Field Passes allow the holder to travel through the warm-up and performance flow with the band and directors. Field Passes may also be used to enter the Spectator Area during the performances. Field Passes do not admit holders to the Press Box.
- **6 Director Press Box VIP Passes for your school, + up to 4 additional purchased (wrist bands – Mon. Purple, Tues. Green, and Wed. Teal)**. These Director wristbands allow the wearer to enter the Spectator Area throughout the event. (A person issued a director wristband does NOT need the ASBOA Field Pass.) Additional Director or Field Passes must be purchased in advance, and may not be loaned, borrowed, or exchanged.
- *Access to the hospitality room and second floor viewing area will require: 1. An official ASBOA issued wristband and inclusion on an approved access list maintained by the contest administration. 2. Only individuals on the approved list will be permitted access, including directors, staff, and approved personnel. Family members and guests will not be permitted unless included on the list. 3. Wristbands will be valid for one contest day only unless otherwise designated by contest administration. 4. Wristbands may not be shared, transferred, or reused by unauthorized individuals. (ABA 2026)
- **Student participant passes (wrist bands – Mon. Yellow, Tues. Pink, and Wed. Red)**

Additional Information:

- **Check in at the Canopy located close to Gate 11 by the parking lot on arrival.** This where you will get your packet.
- **No ATVs or golf carts inside the stadium. All equipment must be pushed or carried in.**
- **All wristbands must be worn properly.**
- If you are bringing your students to observe bands before their performance, they must properly wear their Participant wristband to enter Gate 7 (beside the ticket booth). If the students will NOT be going into the spectator area before their performance, they may wait until after their performance to wear the wristband.
- Gate 11 or 12 will no longer be available for your students to go to the restrooms when your buses arrive. Instead, you will be able to use **Gate 1. Everyone passing through Gate 1 must have on a wristband pass.** Using Gate 11 and 12 interferes with traffic flow for bands entering the field.
- If you use the bathrooms at Gate 1 for a changing area, you **MUST** provide your own supervision. Supervisors must have on a wristband.
- **Please update or register for an account for your group with Competition Suite.**
- **ALL EQUIPMENT TRUCKS MUST BE LOADED AND VACATE THE LOT WITHIN AN HOUR AND A HALF AFTER YOUR PERFORMANCE.** This is to help with traffic flow in this area.
- **Parking for all vehicles except buses and equipment trucks – $5.00**
- **Price for all tickets to be purchased – $10.00 each + $1.00 processing fee - Five & under free with a paying entrant. All tickets must be purchased at gofan.co – search for Arkansas School Band & Orchestra Association**
- Official Contest Virtual Program – NC
- **Concessions are operated by War Memorial Stadium. NO food or beverages are to be brought into the stadium.**
- **A map of War Memorial with Warm-Up Areas and Gate numbers is posted on the SMC page online.**
- **Notice on the schedule that you have specific times to enter and clear the Warm-Up Areas. You MUST be at Gate 11 ten (10) minutes before your scheduled performance time. Front Ensemble will be directed to exit through the Home Team Gate.**
- **Notice on the schedule that you have a specific time to have your props in the holding area. Please do not move your props into the holding area prior to your warm-up time. They can be in the holding area for the full duration of your warm-up if you choose, but do not place them in the area prior to your warm-up times.**

- **PHYSICAL WARM-UP AREA: NO JAM BLOCKS, NO AMPLIFIED METRONOMES, NO PERCUSSION INSTRUMENTS OF ANY TYPE, NO PLAYING OF INSTRUMENTS. THE ONLY ITEM THAT MAY BE "PLAYED" ARE DRUM STICK CLICKS. NO SPINNING OF BATONS, FLAGS, OR OTHER GUARD EQUIPMENT.**
- **Clear Bag Policy is in force at War Memorial** – Click on the following link for specifics
  https://www.wmstadium.com/pages/stadium-info/stadium-security/
  Clear Bag FAQ: Bags that are clear plastic, vinyl, or PVC and do not exceed 12" x 6" x 12" or a one-gallon clear plastic freezer bag (Ziploc bag or similar). Individuals may also carry a small clutch purse, no larger than 4.5" x 6.5", with or without a handle or strap. All clear bags and clutch purses will be screened before entry into the venue. All bags and purses not meeting the above requirements will not be permitted. Although permitted, childcare items, including diapers, must also be carried in an approved clear bag. Individuals carrying required medical supplies or devices into the venue are not subject to the clear bag policy but will need to go through the bag check line at their entry gate for a thorough screening of the bag and the medical items. The person requiring these supplies or devices must accompany the bag at all times. Medical exception bags will be tagged once cleared through security.
- **Quick Facts**
  -A clear-bag policy is enforced
  -Metal detectors and/or security wands are at all entrances
  -Concealed carry is prohibited even with a permit (see the full list of prohibited items below)
  -No pocket knives (see the full list of prohibited items below)
  -Loitering in the concourse is prohibited
  -Arrive early to avoid congestion at entry
  -Enter the stadium through gate indicated on your ticket
  -Report any suspicious conduct to onsite law enforcement

Prohibited Items
The following items are expressly prohibited inside ticketed areas:

- Metal, plastic, or glass containers of any kind (**except for clear, factory-sealed, or empty plastic water bottles no larger than one liter**, juice boxes, insulin containers, and baby food)
- Hard coolers or ice chests
- Backpacks and bags
- Non-collapsible umbrellas that will not fit in a backpack or bag of the maximum allowed size
- Brooms, poles, and staff of any kind
- Weapons (including, without limitation, pocket knives), fireworks, and other illegal substances
- Camera lenses over eight inches, tripods, monopods, and selfie sticks
- Animals (except service animals)
- Beach balls and other inflatable items
- Laser pens and laser pointers
- Alcohol
- All tobacco products, including e-cigarettes
- Noisemakers
- Skateboards, hover boards, and wheeled footwear
- Drones and other unmanned aerial vehicles
- Self-defense sprays (including, without limitation, pepper spray and mace)
- Toy guns or toy knives (including, without limitation, water guns)
- Any other item deemed dangerous or inappropriate or otherwise violating the Guest policies

PLEASE check the SMC information on the News and Announcement page regularly for updates!

Please read the SMC Procedures SEVERAL times to avoid confusion.