



*The Pride of Graves County
Eagle Band*

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Dear Band Director:

On behalf of the Graves County Band Boosters, I would like to invite you and your band to the **1st Annual Pride of Graves County Marching Invitational** on Saturday, September 29th, 2007. We are very excited to host the first event of this kind at Graves County High School in our new football complex.

The contest will follow a prelims/finals format, with the preliminary competition beginning late morning/early afternoon, and finals that evening. The number of bands that enter will influence the number of bands in finals.

We hope that you will consider making our contest a part of your marching band schedule this fall.

We are pleased to offer you the following distinguished panel of judges:

David Caldwell	Former Director of Bands at Henderson County High School
Mike Clark	Former Director of Bands at Daviess County High School
John Converse	Director of Bands at Eisenhower Middle School, Albuquerque, New Mexico
Tom Dirks	Former Director of Bands at Center Grove High School
James Light	Former Director of Bands at Lone Oak High School
TBA	TBA
Stephen Ferguson	Former Color Guard Director for Eclipse Winter Guard
Kristin Childers	Paducah, Kentucky

We are a KMEA sanctioned event and will follow the KMEA five-class classification system, which is based on school size. For out of state schools, your classification will be based on student attendance during the second month of the 2006-2007 school year.

We will be offering the following caption awards:

Prelims:

1st, 2nd, and 3rd places in each class
Best Overall Guard in each class
Best Overall Percussion in each class

Finals:

Placement Awards
Best Music
Best Visual
Best Effect
Best Woodwinds
Best Brass

We as directors are extremely excited to have an incredible group of band parents working diligently to make this event possible. It will be hard to top their hospitality. Come and check out their selection of food in the hospitality room. You will see one of many reasons why they are the best!

Enclosed, you will find an entry form. The contest deadline is September 17, 2007. If you have any questions, feel free to email me or call me.

We look forward to seeing you on September 29th!

Jeff Williams
Director of Bands
Graves County High School