



THE NORMAL MARCHING BAND

Illinois Marching Band Championships at the U of I

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2019

Parents who are interested in riding the bus, chaperoning, helping with the pit crew, etc. should sign up at normalmb.org. Please do so by Monday, October 21, so that bus and crew lists can be generated during the week of the event.

Note: Due to an intergovernmental agreement between Unit 5 and ISU, Kingsley Junior High School is not available to us on the date of the competition. NCWHS will be the home base for the NMB on this contest day.

Additional information is available at bands.illinois.edu/imbc

What to pack

Remember your black socks, gloves, and blue show shirt. Also remember to remove nail polish if your fingertips are not covered, and bring hair spray, bobby pins, etc.

Pack a sack dinner.

Itinerary

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| before | Be sure to eat a healthy lunch and drink plenty of water on the day of the event. |
| 12:30 PM | Rehearsal at NCWHS |
| 2:00 PM | Rehearsal ends, pack/load trucks (everyone is responsible for making sure that their equipment makes it to the show—either on the bus or to the parent crew who is loading.) Polish/relax/eat snacks/drink water during the loading process. |
| 3:00 PM | Once the trucks are loaded and ready, depart for the University of Illinois |
| ~4:00 PM | Arrive at Memorial Stadium – the University of Illinois Eat sack dinner, unload, get dressed and ready for the show! |
| 5:00 PM | In uniform by the buses/trucks, ready for inspection and physical warm up |
| 6:30 PM | NMB Performance! Following our performance, fold tarps, return to buses/trucks with props and equipment. Change out of uniform. Return to the stadium to watch bands, souvenirs, concessions. |
| 9:15 PM | Presentation of Awards, immediately following awards, return to buses, depart for Normal. |
| ~11:00 PM | Estimated time of arrival at NCWHS |

Memorial Stadium will be an exciting place to do our final 2019 performance! Be sure to thank the parents for their hard work and be respectful of them – we couldn't do this without them! Lastly, encourage friends, neighbors, and family to come out to the University of Illinois to cheer us on—it always helps to have an audience that loves us! Have a great day and an outstanding performance! We are very proud of the 2019 NMB!

-Mr. B, Mr. M, and Ms. P