



THE NORMAL MARCHING BAND

Illinois Marching Band Championships

AT THE UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS | SATURDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2025

Performer Info

Parents who are interested in riding the bus, chaperoning, helping with the crew, etc. should sign up at normalmb.org.

Be sure to eat a healthy breakfast/lunch before rehearsal and drink plenty of water. Bring snacks, a sack dinner, and/or money for concessions.

Remember your black socks, marching shoes, and appropriate garments for under your uniform. All band performers must wear compression shorts (or similar) and a tank top (or similar) under their uniform. As the weather gets cooler, especially at night, all layers must be compression garments that fit as tightly as your body suit. No sweats or bulky clothing. (Guard, you know what to wear!) Remember to remove nail polish and bring hair products.

Bring warm clothing to wear in the stadium after our performance.

Stadium Info

Memorial Stadium has a clear bag policy. Fans should see the information on page 2 of this document. The University of Illinois has an indoor performance plan in case of severe rain.

Itinerary

before	Be sure to eat nutritious food and drink plenty of water on the day of the event.
1:30 PM	Arrival time at Normal West, if you need help with hair
1:45 PM	Call time at Normal West
2:15 PM	Load buses, depart for Memorial Stadium at the University of Illinois. Bring your water with you, and eat snacks en route.
~3:30 PM	Arrive at Memorial Stadium, Champaign (Bus/Truck parking in E-14) Unload, change into uniform, prepare for the show.
4:30 PM	In uniform by the buses/trucks, inspection
4:45 PM	Depart for Warm Up Area C
5:00-5:45 PM	Warm Up in Area C (Front Ensemble warm up is 5:00 to 5:30, then push to the stadium)
5:55 PM	Report to gate
6:00 PM	NMB Performance – Go, Team, Go! Following our performance, we will take group pictures, then NMB performers return to the truck to pack and change out of uniform. You will have the opportunity to return to the stadium to eat dinner, watch bands, and purchase souvenirs.
8:30 PM	Presentation of Awards. After awards, return to buses and depart for home.
~10:30 PM	Arrive at NCWHS

Additional Information

Visit the [Illinois Bands website](#) for additional information, including parking locations, admission prices, and information about concessions and souvenirs.

Illinois Marching Band Championships Schedule

Note: The 1A, 2A, 3A competition is treated as a separate event from the 4A, 5A, 6A competition.

8:00 AM	2A: Effingham	1:30 PM	5A: Round Lake
8:15 AM	2A: Newton Community	1:45 PM	5A: Edwardsville
8:30 AM	2A: University HS	2:00 PM	5A: Champaign Central
8:45 AM	2A: Monticello	2:15 PM	5A: Wheaton-Warrenville South
9:00 AM	2A: Providence Catholic	2:30 PM	5A: Wheaton North
9:15 AM	2A: Paris	2:45 PM	5A: Elk Grove
9:30 AM	2A: Illinois Valley Central	3:00 PM	5A: Plainfield North
10:00 AM	3A: Highland	3:30 PM	6A: Neuqua Valley
10:15 AM	3A: East Peoria	3:45 PM	6A: Waukegan
10:30 AM	3A: Morton	4:00 PM	6A: Waubonsie Valley
10:45 AM	3A: Mahomet-Seymour	4:15 PM	6A: Oak Park River Forest
11:15 AM	1A: ROWVA	4:30 PM	6A: Oswego East
11:30 AM	1A: Arcola	4:45 PM	6A: Lake Park
11:45 AM	1A: Maroa-Forsyth	5:00 PM	6A: A. A. Stagg
12:00 PM	1A: Watseka	5:15 PM	6A: Carl Sandburg
12:15 PM	1A: Mater Dei Catholic	5:30 PM	6A: Minooka Community
12:30 PM	The Marching Illini	5:45 PM	6A: Warren Township
1:00 PM	1A-3A Awards	6:00 PM	6A: The Normal Marching Band
		6:30 PM	4A: Grayslake North
		6:45 PM	4A: Grayslake Central
		7:00 PM	4A: Kaneland
		7:15 PM	4A: Antioch
		7:30 PM	4A: Danville
		7:45 PM	4A: Centennial
		8:00 PM	4A: Washington
		8:15 PM	The Marching Illini, 4A-6A Awards

A Note from the NMB Directors

We are super proud of how the 2025 NMB has progressed and performed throughout the season! Let's celebrate this final opportunity to share *Monsters of Our Own Creation* with a great audience in an incredible stadium! Remember to represent the very best of the Normal Marching Band, on and off the field. Be supportive of other groups, and thank your family, the band volunteers, and the NMB staff for their support. We couldn't do this without them! Enjoy yourself today—let's make some music, some art, and some memories! Go, Team!

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