

SOUNDS OF SPRING BAND FESTIVAL 2026

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Dear Director,

You are invited to attend the 31th annual ***Sounds of Spring Band Festival***. We are very excited to be hosting this at the Princeton High School Auditorium in Princeton, Texas on **March 3-5, 2026**. This festival provides an opportunity for programs to experience a serious evaluation by an award-winning panel of judges with hands-on knowledge of the all school environments. This is also a great warm up contest for bands preparing for their UIL Concert and Sight-reading Contest.

Your band's musical selections should include: a march, at least one piece from the UIL PML, and a third selection of your choosing (prior arrangements may be made for alternative formats). For second bands or especially young bands, music should be selected to fit the band (not necessarily from the PML). *Pop music is not appropriate*. Schools will need to provide three scores with the measures numbered.

Performance times are limited and are filled in the order the entries are received. Our goal is to keep a progressive class performance order (C-CC-CCC-A-AA-AAA, etc.). However, please advise me of any serious scheduling conflicts, so we can accommodate your program's needs. Included with this information is an *Invoice* for your business office. This should aide in expediting check approval.

All entries should be submitted at

<https://www.princetonisd.net/departments/fine-arts/band/band-contests>

Entry Fee: \$350 per band (payable to "Princeton Bands").

Entry Deadline: February 3, 2026

All bands will receive an audio recording of their performance and written comments from each judge. Those bands receiving a 1st Division will be awarded a plaque or trophy.

Please return:

School Check for \$350

(made payable to Princeton Bands)

Address entries fees to:

Princeton Band

Attn: Dr. Steven Knight

Princeton High School

1000 E Princeton Drive

Princeton, TX 75407

All entries should be submitted on or before February 3, 2025. Morning performance times will fill very quickly so please be punctual and include all materials with your entry.