



2026 Coldwater Classic INFORMATION

Saturday, October 3rd, 2026
Deshler High School--Tuscumbia. AL

REGISTRATION

Contest Date: October 3, 2026

Registration Deadline: September 22 or after the first 25 bands!

Once you have filled out your online registration please mail your \$125 Entry Fee to Deshler HS Band / 200 N Commons E/ Tuscumbia, AL 35674. If you need an invoice for your bookkeeper, there is one at the bottom of the site page for you.

2026 Coldwater Classic Marching Contest Online Registration - Please fill out each section in the form. Please provide accurate contact information so there will be an accurate line of communication to send schedules and updates about the Contest. All sections require a response. If any section does not apply to you and your program, please type N/A for your response.

BAND CLASSIFICATION:

Class A = 1-30 Winds and Percussion Class AAA = 51-75 Winds and Percussion

Class AA = 31-50 Winds and Percussion Class AAAA = 76+ Winds and Percussion

These classifications may be adjusted to ensure even class sizes. Classes may be split to allow for more of a chance for bands to earn awards in their classification.

7th & 8th grade wind/percussion with count as ½ of a player towards your total.

(Please understand that the number of WIND/PERCUSSION PLAYERS for each group will be counted as your band ENTERS and EXITS the field.) Once we receive your numbers, your band will be classified based on the numbers you submit. Bands who wish to willingly move up a class may do so, but no Band will be allowed to move down a class.

TYPE OF SHOW:

You may do any type of show you wish. YOU WILL BE JUDGED ON HOW WELL YOU DO WHAT YOU DO. The Deshler Band Boosters will provide assistance and transportation for your pit/front ensemble equipment. Howard Chappell has a standard football field and track area. Sideline markers and hash markers will be very visible. **Power is NOT available on the field level. We can offer a generator but recommend you bring your own power source. Please let us know ahead of time if you need this service. There is NO fire of any kind or confetti allowed on the playing surface. This is a turf field. Any damage that occurs as a result of breaking this rule may result in your school being held responsible financially for needed repairs. Also, violations will result in disqualification from receiving awards.**

UNITS TO BE JUDGED:

Band, Drum Major, Majorettes, Dance Line, Color guard , and Percussion. (Auxiliary units must have at 3 to be eligible for BIC, and Division Awards)

You may elect "Comments ONLY" in any or all areas. Bands will be scheduled from smallest to largest winds/percussion in each class. The first two bands to register in each class will get first preference as to where they perform in the class. This will be decided by the date the check and registration is received.

RATINGS/AWARDS:

Superior: I = 80 - 100
Excellent: II = 70- 79.9
Good: III = 50 - 69.9

Superior Rating: Trophies will be awarded to all Drum Majors, Majorettes, Dance Lines, Color guard, and Percussion who receive superior ratings.

Best-in-class: Awards will be given (of those eligible) that have the highest score in each category.

Division Awards: Awards given for the highest score in each category judged within Silver (A-AA) and Gold (AAA-AAAA).

Division Winner: Award given to the group who had the highest combined average score in each Division. All judged categories will be averaged in the total average score.

Grand Champion: Award to the Band with the highest overall average between the two Division winners.

SPECIAL AWARDS:

Director's Award: Award given to the highest scoring Drum Major of the day

Best Soloist Award:

Best Pit Crew: Award will be given in memory of Michael Fox

People's Choice Award: Award based on the votes submitted by fans

GUIDES:

Members of the Deshler High School Band Program will guide you through every step of our contest, from warm-up to seating.

CHANGING AREA:

Located in the Middle School Gym close to the warm-up areas and parking. Guides will assist with this as well.

JUDGES:

Band: Terry Ownby (Tuscumbia, AL)
Band: Jon Wright (Muscle Shoals, AL)
Band: Brian Jay (Florence, AL)
Colorguard : Jaqueline Crummie (Muscle Shoals, AL)

Percussion Judge: Jeff Fondren (Birmingham, AL)
Drum Major Judge: Rita Harris (Tuscumbia, AL)
Majorette/Dance Judge: Erin Inman (Florence, AL)