

Fourteenth Annual

West Craven Classic

West Craven High School
2600 Streets Ferry Rd.
Vanceboro, NC 28586

Dear Fellow Director,

West Craven High School and the West Craven Band Boosters cordially invite you to participate in the Fourteenth Annual West Craven Classic. Each year we pride ourselves on the outstanding adjudication we provide to help prepare bands for the season, and that standard will continue with an outstanding panel this year. While we understand that band competitions are starting earlier in the year, we plan to continue our status as the "early season" competition by maintaining our date of the last weekend in September. The date of the competition is Saturday, September 29, 2007. We will offer four classes of competition providing all size bands with a fair and realistic evaluation of their program individually and in comparison with groups of their size.

Enclosed you will also find an application form which must be returned postmarked by September 13, 2007. The registration fee is \$75.00 for each band. This will ensure each band receives the best support possible during the competition. If you have any questions about our competition, please feel free to contact me. I can be reached at the numbers listed below. Once again, thank you for your consideration and we hope to see you at what is THE early season showcase for marching bands in North Carolina.

Sincerely,

Brad Langhans
Director of Bands

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Band Information

Name of School: _____ Name of Band: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

School Phone: (____) _____ Home Phone: (____) _____ Fax: (____) _____

Email address: _____

Director(s): _____

Staff Members: _____

Drum Major(s): _____

Captains / Section Leaders:

Total Number of Performing Musicians (including percussion): _____

Total Number of Visual Ensemble (includes Flags, Weapons, Majorettes, etc.): _____

Total in Band: _____

Musical Selections: (use back of sheet if necessary)

Please send this information, plus \$75 registration fee payable to West Craven Band Boosters by September 19, 2007 to:

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General Information

- Date:** Saturday, September 29, 2007
- Location:** West Craven HS Eagle Stadium
Vanceboro, North Carolina
We are just minutes off of US 17 and NC 43, situated half way between Greenville and New Bern, NC. Our location is convenient not only to bands in eastern NC, but also for bands traveling from other parts of NC, SC, and VA. The historic sites of New Bern are a short drive away as well as the crystal coast of North Carolina.
- Classification:** Bands will be divided into four classes based on the number of playing members in the unit. *Please note this includes percussion.*
- Awards:** The three highest scoring bands in each class will receive trophies for their placement. All bands will receive a plaque based on their rating of Superior (80-100), Excellent (60-79), or Good (40-59). Additional awards are First and Second Place music, general effect, marching and maneuvering, percussion, visual ensemble, and drum majors. We will also present the Eagle Spirit Award as well as a Grand Champion Award.
- Judges:** There will be two judges each in the categories of Music Performance (40 points), General Effect (30 points), and Marching Execution (30 Points). There will also be judges for the captions of percussion, visual ensemble, and drum majors.
- Rules:** This is an open event for bands of all styles. Bands may enter or exit from anywhere on the field. In the interest of a fair evaluation, we ask that your actual performance time be at least six (6) minutes long, but not longer than twelve (12) minutes. A and AA bands are allotted only 15 minutes total on the field, AAA and AAAA are allotted 20 minutes on the field.
- Tickets:** Admission is \$7.00 for adults – includes a program. Children will be admitted for \$5. All participating members, staff, and chaperones (one per ten band members only) are admitted free. Please make all parents aware of this rule.
- Entry Fee:** \$75.00 made payable to West Craven Band Boosters. Completed registration form and entry fee must be submitted by September 19. We will limit the Classic to the first thirty (30) bands who register. Performance order will be reverse order of postmark, with last years class champions reserving the right to perform last in that class, provided they are still in that class size.
- Facilities:** Dressing rooms, reasonably priced concessions, warm-up facilities and fields, director's hospitality, and the best barbecue in eastern North Carolina are all available.