

2021 Gahr High School Invitational Field Tournament

Saturday, November 6, 2021

**Gahr High School
11111 Artesia Blvd.
Cerritos, CA 90703**

**Welcome to the 6th annual Gahr Invitational Field
Tournament!** Please take a moment to read through the following
information. In case of any problems or emergencies, please call:

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1. PARKING

Free Guest/Spectator parking is available in the main Gahr High School parking lot and in the small front office parking lot on the east side of campus. PARKING IS LIMITED — PLEASE TELL YOUR FAMILIES TO ARRIVE EARLY TO ALLOW ENOUGH TIME TO FIND A PARKING SPACE. We are also offering Premium Parking for \$5 near the entrance to the stadium. We are also working on an additional overflow lot across the street on Artesia (by Ortho Mattress). *In the event all of these parking lots are full, spectators will need to park on residential streets.* **PLEASE REMIND PARENTS TO USE CROSSWALKS TO SAFELY CROSS THE STREET.**

Band bus and trailer parking is located on the blacktop by going through the gated entrance adjacent to the gym. Booster parents wearing reflective vests will be on hand to provide direction. Look for the signs that say “BUS AND TRAILER PARKING.” *Be careful when driving through gates and please watch out for basketball poles.* **IF YOU ARE PLANNING ON LEAVING BEFORE AWARDS, PLEASE LET US KNOW ASAP SO WE CAN MAKE SURE YOUR BUSES ARE PARKED CLOSEST TO THE EXIT.**

Handicapped parking is available in designated spots in the main parking lot.

2. ADMISSION

General Admission: \$10.00
Senior Discount (65+): \$8.00
Military (with I.D.): \$8.00
Students (with I.D.): \$6.00
Children 5 and under: Free

We accept cash and credit cards.

3. UPON ARRIVAL...

The check-in table is at the gate where the busses and trailers enter. Look for an EZ-UP and a sign that says “GROUP CHECK-IN.” Please pick up your Director’s Packet and **double-check the schedule included in your packet and your designated warm up zone.** In the packet you will find:

★ **Director's Badge** which serves as your admission to hospitality.

★ **BLUE STARS** wristbands for staff/instructors that grants access to hospitality.

★ **YELLOW SMILEY FACE** wristbands for students. ALL students need to have a wristband in order to re-enter the stadium.

★ **RED STARS** wristbands for parent helpers/chaperones. **YOU WILL BE GIVEN ONE (1) PARENT WRISTBAND PER EVERY TEN (10) STUDENTS IN YOUR BAND... EVERYONE ELSE MUST PAY AT THE GATE.**

ALL PARENT HELPERS/CHAPERONES MUST HAVE A WRISTBAND ON IN ORDER TO ENTER THE STADIUM — EVEN IF THEY’RE ONLY HELPING WITH EQUIPMENT. ALL ATTENDEES MUST WEAR A WRISTBAND AT ALL TIMES.

Additional wristbands can be purchased at the ticket booth at the stadium (cash or credit card). We are also selling wristbands at the check-in table (cash only please).

4. RESTROOMS

Restrooms are marked and available near the warm up areas and in the stadium. We will also have the boy’s and girl’s locker room restrooms open near the bus and trailer parking. **Please do not use the restrooms as changing areas.**

5. GROUP ESCORTS

Each band is assigned student escorts who will remain with the group through your performance to lead you back to your busses. While they can help answer questions and guide your group, **it is ultimately your responsibility to keep track of time.**

6. WARM UP AREAS

You will have a designated warm up zone and warm up time.

We will be using the athletic fields and the three main quads on campus. Out of courtesy for the other bands, please wait until the zone is empty before moving in (there should be plenty of buffer time).

Please be aware that some areas on campus may not have much lighting. We are doing our best to bring in additional lights in the warm up areas and on the fields.

Leave enough time to be at the gate ten (10) minutes prior to your performance. Any group responsible for delaying the competition will receive the maximum timing penalty assessed to your final score. It is your responsibility to arrive on time.

THERE IS ABSOLUTELY NO PLAYING IN THE QUIET ZONES OR ON THE BASKETBALL COURTS (BUS/TRAILER PARKING). If you are warming up on the athletic fields, please face away from the stadium as much as possible. Please be courteous when using a long ranger/PA.

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DAY SHOW

Group Name	Class	Perform	Band Gate Entry	Pit Gate Entry	Warm Up Time	Warm Up Zone
Rancho Dominguez Preparatory	1A	10:00AM	9:56AM	9:50AM	8:30AM	A
South East High School	1A	10:13AM	10:09AM	10:03AM	8:43AM	B
Paramount High School	1A	10:26AM	10:22AM	10:16AM	8:56AM	C
Ocean View High School	1A	10:39AM	10:35AM	10:29AM	9:09AM	D
Jurupa Hills High School	1A	10:52AM	10:48AM	10:42AM	9:22AM	E
St. Paul High School	1A	11:05AM	11:01AM	10:55AM	9:35AM	F

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11:18AM

Fullerton Union High School	2A	11:31AM	11:27AM	11:21AM	10:01AM	A
Damien Spartan Regiment	2A	11:44AM	11:40AM	11:34AM	10:14AM	B
La Puente High School	2A	11:57AM	11:53AM	11:47AM	10:27AM	C
Azusa HS Band & Pageantry Corps	2A	12:10PM	12:06PM	12:00PM	10:40AM	D
Wilson High School	2A	12:23PM	12:19PM	12:13PM	10:53AM	E

BREAK

12:36PM

Alhambra High School	3A	1:21PM	1:17PM	1:11PM	11:51AM	F
Sunny Hills Lancer Regiment	3A	1:34PM	1:30PM	1:24PM	12:04PM	A
North Torrance High School	3A	1:47PM	1:43PM	1:37PM	12:17PM	B
Palos Verdes Peninsula High School	3A	2:00PM	1:56PM	1:50PM	12:30PM	C
Canyon High School	3A	2:13PM	2:09PM	2:03PM	12:39PM	D
Santa Fe High School	3A	2:26PM	2:22PM	2:16PM	12:52PM	E

AWARDS 1A/2A/3A

3:00PM

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EVENING SHOW

Group Name	Class	Perform	Band Gate Entry	Pit Gate Entry	Warm Up Time	Warm Up Zone
Long Beach Polytechnic HS	4A	4:45PM	4:41PM	4:35 PM	3:15PM	A
Fountain Valley Royal Regiment	4A	5:00PM	4:56PM	4:50 PM	3:30PM	B
Pleasant Grove High School	4A	5:15PM	5:11PM	5:05 PM	3:45PM	C
Brea Olinda High School	4A	5:30PM	5:26PM	5:20 PM	4:00PM	D
Cerritos High School Marching Band	4A	5:45PM	5:41PM	5:35 PM	4:15PM	E
Mayfair High School	4A	6:00PM	5:56PM	5:50 PM	4:30PM	F

BREAK

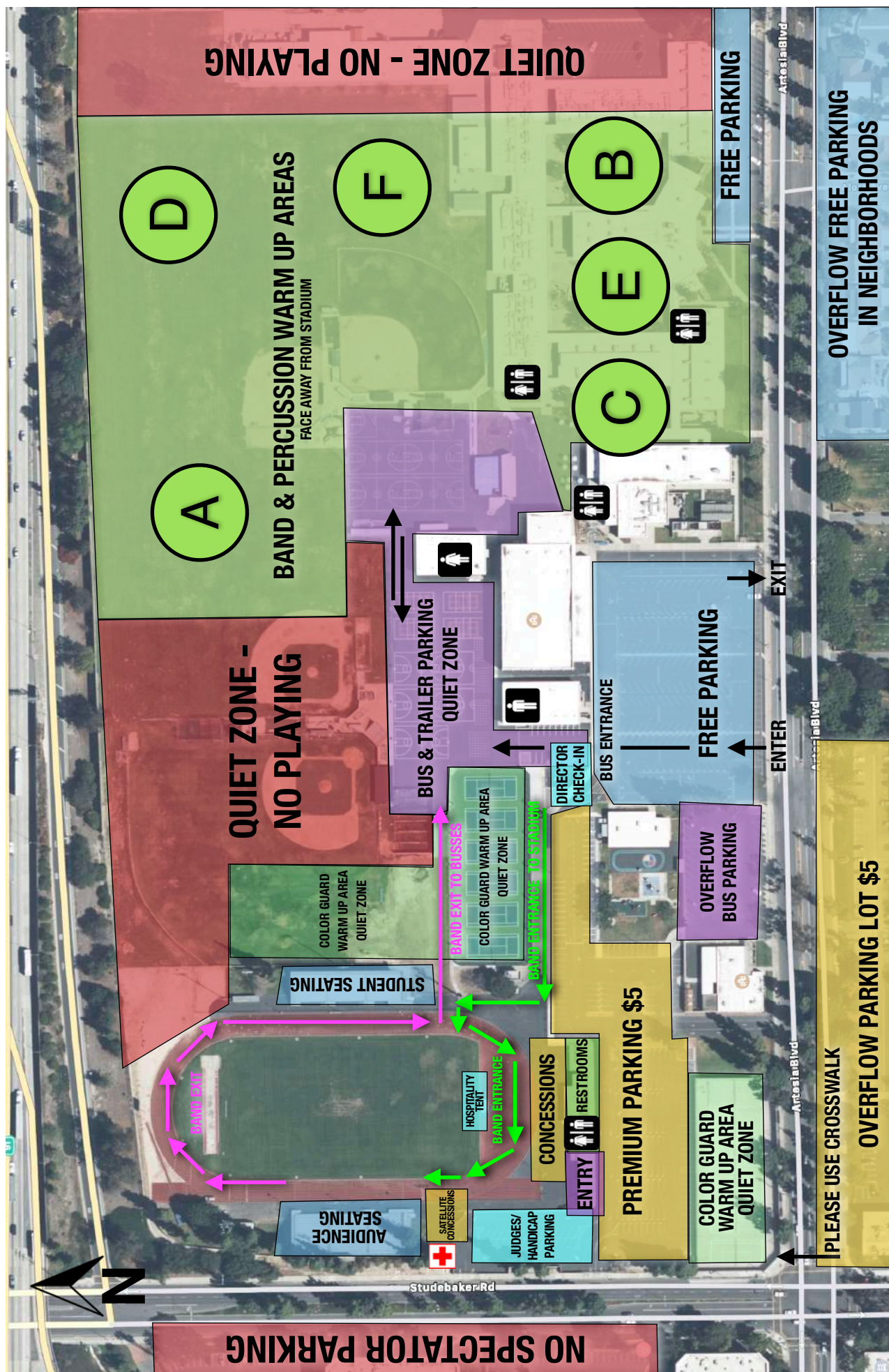
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Temple City High School	5A	7:00PM	6:56PM	6:50PM	5:30PM	A
Crescenta Valley High School	5A	7:15PM	7:11PM	7:05PM	5:45PM	B
Millikan High School	5A	7:30PM	7:26PM	7:20PM	6:00PM	C
University High School	5A	7:45PM	7:41PM	7:35PM	6:15PM	D
Marina High School	5A	8:00PM	7:56PM	7:50PM	6:30PM	E
Gahr High School	EX	8:15PM	8:11PM	8:05PM	6:45PM	F
California High School	6A	8:30PM	8:26PM	8:20PM	7:00PM	A

AWARDS 4A/5A/6A

9:05PM

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7. STAGING / PIT EQUIPMENT / PROP PRE-STAGING

Please be at the Band Entrance / Staging Area at least ten (10) minutes before your performance. You will be entering from the **SIDE B back corner (visitor's side)**. This is a silent area — Do not play or interfere while another group is performing. All bands will be entering and exiting through the same gate on and off the track. **The band entering the field for competition always has the right of way.**



Please note that the main gates we will be using have a width of **5 feet**. If you have larger props or equipment, there are other gates further down, or we can make arrangements for you may pre-stage ahead of time (as marked on the map). **Please let us know and we will be happy to accommodate you!!**

8. SET UP TIME

You will have three (3) minutes set up on the field with an additional one (1) minute until final call. **Please wait until your band is announced before you take the field.**

9. PERFORMER EXIT

After your performance you will be exiting the same gate on the Side B back corner (visitor's side). Please have your front ensemble push around the track to keep traffic flowing in one direction. There is now a sidewalk (adjacent to the new tennis courts) that will take you to the blacktop where your busses and trailers are located.

10. ELECTRICAL POWER

Electrical power is available at the field level on the front of the field near the 50-yard-line. If we blow a fuse, it is the competitor's responsibility to have a back-up source of power.

11. ANNOUNCER

We have a great announcer for the tournament! If you have any changes from your Competition Suite info, please get those to the press box at least one (1) hour before your performance time.

12. JUDGING

Judges are provided by the California State Band Championships (CSBC). This is a qualifying tournament for the California State Band Championships. Please refer to their website for rules and qualifying requirements at: <http://csbc.compsuite.io>.

13. FIRST AID

There is a First Aid tent on the south side of the home bleachers. We have a doctor and registered nurse on hand; however, please dial 9-1-1 for major issues or emergencies.

14. VIDEO

We will be recording every performance and provide the link for band directors (for educational purposes only). You may also have your own designated video person by the press box to record your performance. You cannot be on top of the press box, but can get a great angle from OUTSIDE the press box.

15. PERFORMER RE-ENTRY & SEATING

Students may re-enter the stadium after their performance through the main gate. **ALL STUDENTS MUST SIT ON THE VISITOR'S SIDE BLEACHERS, EVEN IF YOUR SCHOOL ARRIVES EARLY. STUDENTS MUST HAVE THE YELLOW SMILEY FACE WRISTBAND ON TO ENTER THE STADIUM.** Please remind students to be quiet and courteous during performances.

16. CONCESSION STAND

We have a fantastic concession stand with burgers, hot dogs, baked potatoes, nachos, chow mein, adobo and rice, meatball sandwiches, and more! Please encourage your band and color guard families to eat at our concessions. If you want your students to eat before your performance, just let us know and we can accommodate your band. *We do not allow preparation of food on any ABCUSD campus per district policy. No outside food may be brought into the stadium.*



CONCESSIONS

Main Concession Stand

Cheeseburger	\$5.00
Hamburger	\$4.00
Hot Dog	\$3.00
Chili Cheese Dog	\$4.00
Adobo with Rice	\$6.00
Meatball Sandwich	\$5.00
Chow Mein	\$5.00
Cup O' Noodles	\$1.00
Baked Potato with Butter and Sour Cream	\$3.00
Nachos	\$3.00
Chips	\$1.00
Add Nacho Cheese to any item	\$1.00
Add Chili to any item	\$1.00
Soda	\$1.00
Water	\$1.00
Gatorade	\$2.00

Satellite Concession Stand (Located on South Side of Stands)

Candy	\$1.00
Chips	\$1.00
Soda	\$1.00
Water	\$1.00
Gatorade	\$2.00



17. HOSPITALITY

You and your staff are invited to indulge in some delicious food, beverages, and desserts provided by our booster parents. We also have a gift bag for each director to take home. This year, the hospitality tent is located at the Side B End Zone. **Only adults with a Director's Badge or BLUE STARS wristbands will be allowed into hospitality.**

18. PROGRAMS

We will be selling programs for \$5.00. Please encourage your parents and students to buy them!

19. CREDIT/DEBIT CARDS

In addition to cash, **we accept Visa, American Express, MasterCard, and Discover credit cards** at our concession stand and ticket booth.

20. AWARDS CEREMONY

Please have no more than seven (7) leaders (drum majors, captains, lieutenants) to the Side B End Zone for the afternoon and evening awards following the last performance. CSBC is completely paperless and no longer has a "perusal" period, so we will start the awards as soon as possible!

If you are not staying for awards, please leave a designated parent to pick up your scores and trophies. **REMEMBER TO PLEASE LET US KNOW ASAP IF YOU ARE PLANNING ON LEAVING BEFORE AWARDS SO WE CAN MAKE SURE YOUR BUSES ARE PARKED NEAR THE EXIT.**

21. RAIN

In the event of inclement weather, I will call you during the day to inform you of any changes. We will try to find a way to make this event happen (such as a standstill performance) as your kids deserve to be heard. *Standstill performance scores may not be used to qualify for championships.*

Thank you and we look forward to another fantastic tournament!

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