

AREA C (2/3/4A) MARCHING CONTEST

INCLEMENT WEATHER PROCEDURES

NOTIFICATION OF ANY DELAY, CANCELATION, OR RESCHEDULING, WILL BE SHARED THROUGH THE AREA E-MAIL LIST PROVIDED BY UILFORMS.COM.

Every effort will be made to complete both Prelims and Finals (if applicable). But marching band is an outdoor activity, and weather can be a mitigating factor. Light precipitation alone may not delay or cancel performances. Heavy rain OR LIGHTNING, will cause a delay or a possible rescheduling of the Contest. The priorities will be as follows:

PRIORITY ONE is **student and audience safety**. Weather (and lighting) will be electronically monitored, and the field and stands will be vacated by the Contest Director in case of a storm warning. There could be a thirty-minute or longer delay. The Contest could also be postponed. The decision of the Contest Director is final.

PRIORITY TWO is to complete **preliminary competition** – every effort will be made to delay the Contest for as long as necessary, within reason, to allow all bands to perform in the prelims on the scheduled contest day. In the event there is light rain, **but no lightning detected in the area**, bands will be asked to perform (unless it can be determined with some certainty that the rain will move out of the area in a timely manner). If a director chooses not to have his/her band perform under these conditions, there will be no re-scheduling, and that group will forfeit the opportunity to perform.

In the event that weather is too severe to complete the preliminary round of competition, the alternate contest date will be Wednesday, October 31, 2018. The posted schedule will be followed as closely as possible.

PRIORITY THREE is to complete the **finals competition**. However, per UIL C&CR, *under extenuating circumstances such as severe weather that precludes completing all Finals performances, the Contest Director, in conjunction with the State Director of Music, the Finals may be canceled and declare that the results of the prelims determine certification to the State Marching Contest.*

Final decisions concerning delays, cancelations, and rescheduling will be made by the Executive Secretary, in consultation with the UIL State Director of Music.