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Warner Robins High School to Host 23rd Annual Heart of Georgia Band Competition on October 23



HOUSTON COUNTY, GA – The Warner Robins High School Demon Marching Band will host the 23rd annual **Heart of Georgia Marching Band Invitational** (HoG) on October 23 at McConnell-Talbert Stadium. One of the premier marching contests in Georgia, Warner Robins High will host more than 14 bands of all sizes from schools across the state, including Northside High, Perry High, and Veterans High. Gates open at 12:00 p.m. The Invitational will begin with opening ceremonies at 1:00 p.m. and the first competition band performance at 1:20 p.m. Performances will continue throughout the day and conclude with the awards ceremony at 8:40 p.m.

There will be special exhibition performances by the Warner Robins High School *Demon* Marching Band at 8:00 p.m. and Troy University *Sound of the South* at 8:20 p.m. The awards ceremony will take place at 8:40 p.m. For a complete schedule, please visit the <u>HoG Invitational website</u>.

Admission is \$10 for adults, \$5 for students, and children under 5 are admitted free. Middle school band students who wear their school band shirts are admitted free of charge, as are school district employees with their work badge. Concessions will be sold, to include: hamburgers, funnel cakes, cotton candy and cold beverages.

Chris McCook serves as principal at <u>Warner Robins High</u>. <u>McConnell-Talbert Stadium</u> is located at 401 South Davis Drive, across the street from the school. For more information, please contact Warner Robins High Director of Bands, Dr. Todd Howell, at <u>Todd.Howell@hcbe.net</u>.

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