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Dear Band Director:

Greetings from the Mountain State Forest Festival!

We are reaching out to let you know that plans are underway for the 83rd Mountain State Forest Festival Grand Feature Parade and the Jack Basil Field Show. Both events are sanctioned and scored by Tournament of Bands. We are reaching out early so that you may have time to include these events on your fall band schedule. You will also be notified of any schedule changes as plans progress over the next several months.

Beginning this year, we will be awarding a Mountain State Forest Festival Grand Champion for the Open Class AND a Mountain State Forest Festival Grand Champion for the A Class.

As a high school band, you have the option to participate in the following on October 5, 2019:

- Grand Feature Parade at 1:30 pm eligible for cash prizes!
- Jack Basil Field Competition at 5:00 pm Tournament of Bands competition
- Participation in the Grand Feature Parade AND the Jack Basil Field Competition allows you to be eligible for Mountain State Forest Festival Grand Champion award, this is based on combined parade and field show scores

Bands are no longer required to compete in both events, however, we highly encourage you to participate in both to be eligible for the Mountain State Forest Festival Grand Champion awards. Only those bands participating in both events will be eligible for the Grand Champion awards.

## Parade Information:

- Parade judging is based on Group 1, 2, 3, 4 by TOB band size
- Parade prizes range from \$100 \$1000
- Parade registration is via 83rd Mountain State Forest Festival Entry Form (attached) or TOB WINDI www.njatob.org

## Field Show Information:

- Field show judging is based on Group 1, 2, 3, 4, with Festival, A Class, and Open Class
- Field show prizes are based on TOB scores with award plaques from MSFF
- TOB member bands will receive their pre-sale tickets by 9/21/2019
- Field show registration via TOB WINDI system www.njatob.org

Please provide your band picture and information to us as soon as possible if you wish to be included in the field show program.

If you have any questions, or need more information, please contact the Festival office at 304-636-1824 or via email at zerowas18@gmail.com, tracyg1@frontier.com or skeeterjay2003@yahoo.com. We look forward to seeing you in October!

Sincerely,

Jeff Skidmore Assistant Director

