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STRIKE UP THE BAND...
FOUR STATES MARCHING CONTEST SLATED FOR OCTOBER 1

Texarkana, TX – In the mood for some marching music, then Tiger Stadium at Grim Park is where you will want to be on Saturday, October 1 from 11:30 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. as it becomes the host facility for the Four States Marching Contest. An expected 1,700 students representing 19 schools from the four states area will be in attendance and will wow the crowd with their unique marching abilities. The event will be followed with an awards ceremony that begins at 5:15 p.m.

The Four States Marching Contest brings together the musical and marching talents of area bands as they prepare for regional contests. Admission is \$2 per adult and \$1 per student. The public is invited to attend.

Judges for this year's contest are Band Directors: Craig Hamilton, Ouachita Baptist University in Arkadelphia, AR; Steven Moore, Lindale High School in Lindale, TX; Les Pack, University of Arkansas at Monticello in Monticello, AR. Percussion judge will be Russell Roberts, Principle Percussionist with the Texarkana Symphony Orchestra. Drum Major judging will be by Kara Compton, Texas Middle School Assistant Band Director. And, Color Guards will be judged by Phyllis Deese, Red Lick Elementary Principal.

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Schedule of performance are as follows:

11:30 a.m.	Texas High School (TX-AAAA)
11:45 a.m.	BREAK
12:15 p.m.	Foreman High School (AR-A)
12:30 p.m.	Maud High School (TX-A)
12:45 p.m.	Gurdon High School (AR-AA)
1:00 p.m.	Prairieland (TX-AA)
1:15 p.m.	Hooks High School (TX-AA)
1:30 p.m.	Prescott High School (AR-AA)
1:45 p.m.	Redwater High School (TX-AA)
2:00 p.m.	BREAK
2:15 p.m.	Liberty Eylau High School (TX-AAA)
2:30 p.m.	Mt. Vernon High School (TX-AAA)
2:45 p.m.	Pleasant Grove High School (TX-AAA)
3:00 p.m.	Ashdown High School (AR-AAA)
3:15 p.m.	North Lamar High School (TX-AAA)
3:30 p.m.	BREAK
3:45 p.m.	Arkansas High School (AR-AAAA)
4:00 p.m.	Mt. Pleasant High School (TX-AAAA)
4:15 p.m.	Vilonia High School (AR-AAAA)
4:30 p.m.	Airline High School (LA-AAAA)
4:45 p.m.	Sulphur Springs High School (TX-AAAA)
5:00 p.m.	Henderson State University
5:15 p.m.	Awards Ceremony

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