

AIA 2018 Newsletter

2018 Pre-Season Newsletter

Winter is here! In just a few weeks the season will kick off at Hanover HS on January 27th! As we get closer and closer to the season your EBOD wants to pass along most information for you to get things off to a good start.

REMINDER: AIA Registration Ends February 1st!

Show Reminders

During Warm-Up times:

Please make sure in your last minute of warm-up that you start getting materials ready to leave the warm-up location. Waiting until time is up to start packing everything up puts the group behind you behind schedule, and in turn puts the show behind schedule.

Schedule Changes:

According to the official AIA rules:

"The official deadline for amending or change of registration for AIA contests will be four Fridays before the contest date. After this time there will be a penalty fee of \$100. This fee must be paid to AIA by the unit's next performance date."

Music Upload

You may choose to upload your music to AIA this season. You are still REQUIRED to have back up copies in the event of technical malfunctions. Instructions are also located on the "events" tab, "2018 events" then slide your cursor to the right menu to select. You have control to change this out as needed throughout the season.

Announcer Spiel Sheet

Announcers Spiel Sheet is also available on the "events" tab, "2018 events" then slide your cursor to the right menu to select. Be sure to do this for EACH unit separately. It may be changed throughout the season at your leisure.

Independent Units Insurance Information

Independent units need to UPLOAD insurance requirements to AIA prior to their first performance. This link is located on the "events" tab, "2018 events" then slide your cursor to the right menu to select.

Copyright Information

Don't forget to download and sign your copyright letter to turn in before your first performance. It also can be found on the "events" tab, "2018 events" then slide your cursor to the right menu to select.

WGI percussion educational director Caleb Rothe hosts a FREE webinar series for educators. He covers a range of topics with guests from the top of the activity. This webinar meets 5 times.

-Thu, Jan 18, 2018 9:30 PM - 11:00 PM EST

-Thu, Feb 8, 2018 9:30 PM - 11:00 PM EST

-Thu, Mar 1, 2018 9:30 PM - 11:00 PM EST

-Thu, Mar 22, 2018 9:30 PM - 11:00 PM EDT

-Thu, Apr 5, 2018 9:30 PM - 11:00 PM EDT

Register Here- <https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/4749937898412083202>

North Specific News

Hanover HS Competition

Hanover will be a two run show for the colorguards that are competing at the show. Guards will get a first run and then a live critique on the floor with staff, performers, and judges. After the dinner break the guards will get a second performance run and there will be no critique following the show.

CompetitionSuite for 2 North Shows

Due to a technical issue with 2 shows in the North - (Woodbridge and TJ @ South County) these shows will be capped at 63 to allow the schools affected by the issue to perform at these shows. These are a special exception due to a technical error.

Potomac HS Competition

This information was emailed through CompetitionSuite

North Guard Units - Please be advised that registration for the Potomac Event has been opened to all color guard classes. If you wish to register for this event, you are now able to do so and must register by the February 1 deadline.

Opening registration for all color guard classes for any event that falls on the same date as a local WGI Regional will be reviewed annually by the Executive Board and **may** be opened on a case by case basis; this does not guarantee this event will be opened every year. Thank you for your patience and understanding in this process..

South Specific News

Double Show Weekend

The ebod is working on balancing the West Johnston and Clayton double show weekend. Schools and organizations with a percussion and guard unit competing will be kept at the same site and given priority. Units being moved to the Clayton site will be notified by email of the change.

Planning for South Championships

Planning for South championships in the new venue is in the works. More information to come by the end of January. If you would like to be a part of the championships planning committee please contact laurie.cuffney@atlanticindoor.org.



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NORTH COLORGUARD DIRECTORS PLEASE SEE BELOW

AIA North—Colorguard Championship Order Procedure

As we anticipate a single run for Championships this year, units from large classes will be seeded into performance order based on their most recent score. The format will be as follows:

Performance order at championships for color guard units in AIA North for 2018 will be determined by the following methods:

- Classes with fewer than nine units following the end of the promotion period will perform in random order.
- Classes with nine or more units following the end of the promotion period will be seeded by the seeding formula.
- Seeding formula: The unit's final AIA performance score will be normalized to the final competition weekend's score. Units competing in the final contest weekend will use that score. If using a score in March, 1.5 points will be added per weekend to reach the final contest date. If using a score in February, 2 points will be added per weekend to reach the final competition date.
- After the units are given a seeding score, the class will be divided into thirds. Each third of the class will be randomized for performance order.
- A draft schedule with unit time slots will be circulated following the end of the promotion period. For the 2018 season, that will follow the March 10 competition.
- The final schedule with actual performance times will be circulated following the end of the regular season competitions. For 2018, that will follow the March 24 competition.
- Units that are promoted and do not receive a score in their new class will be inserted into the middle third of randomization.