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Fellow Band Directors,

I would like to invite you and your students to attend the UW/Troopers Marching Band Invitational at War Memorial Stadium on Saturday, October 7th 2017. This year we plan on having the invitational between 8:00 am and 2:00pm. Since time is limited, bands will be selected on a first come, first served basis. Depending on the number of participants, your band will have between 20 -30 minutes with a clinician after your band's performance. All bands are strongly encouraged to watch an exhibition performance of the Western Thunder Marching Band at the end of the event while scores are being tabulated (approximately 140 pm).

The following awards will be presented:

Best Overall

Best Music

Best Visual

Best General Effect

Best Percussion

Best Color Guard

Best Drum Major

Please complete the registration form which is attached to this message or found on our website ([http://www.uwyo.edu/marchingband/marching\\_invitational.html](http://www.uwyo.edu/marchingband/marching_invitational.html)). After emailing the registration form, please follow directions to send a \$50 registration fee (\$75 if received after September 18th) to ensure your spot in the invitational. All registered participants will receive further instructions on warm-up times, locations, and other important information closer to the event.

The UW/Trooper Marching Band Invitational is free of charge for family, friends, and spectators on the day of the event. Programs will be available for purchase as well as other merchandise from the Western Thunder Marching Band.

The University of Wyoming and the Troopers Drum and Bugle Corps are committed to provide high-quality judges and clinicians to participating ensembles to help encourage students perform and achieve their highest potential. If you have any questions in the coming weeks, please feel to contact me. I look forward to working with you and your ensemble for this exciting event!



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