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Fellow Band Directors,

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I would like to invite you and your students to attend the UW/Troopers Marching Band Invitational at War Memorial Stadium on **Saturday, October 6th, 2018**. 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 to 30 minutes with a clinician after your band's performance. Each ensemble will have an assigned band guide to assist you during the event for staging and guidance. 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 530 pm).

The following awards will be presented at the end of the invitational:

Best Overall, Best Music, Best Visual, Best General Effect, Best Percussion, Best Colorguard, and Best Drum Major. Each band will also receive a rating.

Please complete the online registration form at the following link:

<https://goo.gl/forms/hxVutk173PDHvR4K3>. After completing the registration form, please follow the directions below to send a \$50 registration fee (\$75 if received after September 17th) to ensure your spot in the invitational.

Send payments to:

UW Music Dept., Dept. 3037, ATTN: Dr. Bryan Raya

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Checks payable to University of Wyoming OR Fine Arts Outreach: (307) 766-5139

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 Western Thunder Marching Band is 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! Go Pokes!

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