

Battle of the Bands - RULES AND GUIDELINES

Performers must be going into grades 6th-12th. A band is defined as any number of people. Soloists may participate but must be self-accompanied or have an accompanist.

TO ENTER:

1. Beginning on June 8th, you can submit your **video entry** by uploading it to the DropBox link that can be found on the McMillan Library website. Deadline for submission is **Wednesday, July 15th**.
 - Performers must submit a one-song demo video in order to qualify for the contest. Originals are encouraged!
 - Lyrics cannot include profanity, derogatory remarks, sexually explicit content or violence.
 - We will upload all the demo videos to the McMillan Library YouTube channel, where the videos can be viewed publicly.
 - If you do not have the equipment to create your own video, you can make an appointment with Library staff to use our studio equipment and recording space. Library staff will assist you with the recording. You must schedule your appointment by **Thursday, June 25th**. Recording will take place in June and July.
2. **Online registration form** must also be filled out by **Wednesday, July 15th**.
3. Online voting via SurveyMonkey will take place from **July 20th to July 30th** to determine the TOP 4 finalists.
4. The TOP 4 finalists will be announced on **Monday, August 3rd** at Witter Field during the "McMillan Library Night" Rafters game, which begins at 7:05pm.

FINAL BATTLE:

1. The TOP 4 will compete live at the Final Battle which will be held in the McMillan Library Fine Arts Center on **Saturday, August 15th at 7:00pm**.
2. Performers must bring their own equipment - except microphones, a drum set and bass amp will be provided. (You can bring your own snare and drumsticks.)
3. The library and library staff is not responsible for any band equipment. But an area will be provided for equipment storage on the day of the Final Battle.
4. Performers will have 30 minutes on stage, which includes setup, performance time, and take down.
5. Due to the size of the Fine Arts Center, overall sound level must be limited. Excessive volume levels may lead to a point deduction.
6. You will have an opportunity to do a sound check between 4:00-6:00pm on the day of the event. Sign-up early for your desired time slot.

FINAL VOTE:

The judges and audience will vote at the end of the night to determine the winner. The votes will be tallied and the Battle WINNER will be announced at the event on Saturday, August 15th.

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