

12th Annual Big Band Review

Presented by Valley Children's Healthcare, EECU, Chevron, Toyota & iHeart Media Jr. High and High School Bands from Throughout California Compete for Cash Prizes

DATE: THURSDAY, OCT 5 TIME: 1:00 PM TO 5:00 PM

The 12th Annual Big Band Review will take place on Thursday, October 5 at The Big Fresno Fair in the Brian I. Tatarian Grandstand. Jr. High and High School Marching Bands throughout the State of California will compete in the following categories for cash prizes: Parade, Auxiliary, Drum Major and Percussion. The Big Band Review competition will begin at 1:00 p.m. and awards will be announced at roughly 5:30 p.m.

Over \$12,000 in cash prizes and trophies will be given out to bands competing; \$1,500 for the High School Sweepstakes Band winner, \$1,250 for the Jr. High School Sweepstakes Band winner; then first place in both will get \$500, second place in both will get \$400 and third place in both will get \$300. Additionally, the first 20 bands to register automatically got \$500 to support their band/music program just for participating and showing their school pride.

Last year winners were:

- High School: Washington Union High School Sweepstakes Winner (\$2,000); Hanford West High School 1st Place (\$500); Reedley High School 2nd Place (\$400); Central East High School 3nd Place (\$300)
- Jr. High: Burton Middle School Sweepstakes Winner (\$1,500); Clark Intermediate 1st Place (\$500); Washington Intermediate 2nd Place (\$400); Liberty Middle School 3nd Place (\$300)

"Over the years, The Big Fresno Fair has made great strides to be a strong educational partner to the community and is extremely proud to support students and educational programs locally and throughout the Valley," said Christina Estrada, Interim CEO, The Big Fresno Fair. "This marching band competition allows school band programs to come out and show off their hard work while being rewarded with cash prizes. It is a 'must attend' for regional bands – giving them, their families, and their friends something to look forward to each year."

The following 20 school bands will be participating in this year's competition:

Pioneer Middle School

Rio Vista Middle School

ETAA Charter

Bartlett Middle School
El Capitan Middle School
Computech Middle School
Burton Middle School
Sequoia Middle School

Liberty Middle School Clark Intermediate

Washington Intermediate

Fresno High School Firebaugh High School Kerman High School Shaftner High School Edison High School Dinuba High School Lemoore High School

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