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Music for All Indiana State Fair Band Day Presented by Music Travel Consultants Moves to Opening Day; New Band Day Coordinator Announced

June 27, 2019, Indianapolis, IN –The Indiana State Fair announces its 73rd annual Music for All Indiana State Fair Band Day presented by Music Travel Consultants will move to opening day (Friday, August 2) at the 2019 Indiana State Fair, held August 2 -18 at the Indiana State Fairgrounds & Event Center.

After countless hours of practice and planning, 40 bands from across the state will converge on the Hoosier Lottery Grandstand to compete in A, AA, and AAA classes, as well as for the honor of being named "Indiana's Best Band".

In addition to moving Band Day to this year's action-packed opening day, the Indiana State Fair is pleased to welcome Douglas R. Fletcher as the new Band Day Coordinator. Mr. Fletcher has a long and triumphant history with the competition. He was a participant in the mid-1970s with the "Band of Pirates" of Madison Heights High School before leading bands to 13 State Fair Band Day Championships, the most of any director and the only director to win Band Day at four different schools. He currently serves as the Director of Operations for Purdue University Bands and Orchestras.

Indiana State Fair Band Day preliminaries start at 9 a.m.; tickets are \$6 for adults (ages 13+) and \$2 for children. Finals begin at 8 p.m., with tickets \$10 for adults and \$4 for children. Ages 5-under are free. Tickets may be purchased online at www.indianastatefair.com or on-site on August 2 at the Hoosier Lottery Grandstand Box Office.

ABOUT THE INDIANA STATE FAIR

The Indiana State Fair is the state's largest multi-day event celebrating Hoosiers' spirit and agricultural heritage. These 17 days celebrate Indiana agriculture and promote it to hundreds of thousands of people across Indiana, and beyond. Nationally recognized for offering great entertainment, showcasing youth, interactive agriculture education programs, premier facilities and a variety of unique, fun foods, the Indiana State Fair has been an annual attraction for generations of Hoosiers since 1852. The 2019 Indiana State Fair will be held August 2-18. To pay tribute to the heroism of everyday Hoosiers, this year's Indiana State Fair theme is HEROES IN THE HEARTLAND presented by Indiana Donor Network. Throughout the 17-day event, the Indiana State Fair will salute Hoosier farmers, first responders, educators, members of the Armed Forces, and many others who keep us safe and make us proud. Additionally, each day during the fair, Marvel Character and DC Comics Superheroes will be highlighted. For more information, visit www.indianastatefair.com.