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Indiana State Fair Band Day Presented by Music Travel Consultants & Paige's Music

Sweet Sixteen Announced. Anderson Captures First Place

Indianapolis, IN: One of Indiana's most cherished musical traditions continued Saturday as the Indiana State Fair welcomed 34 of the state's finest high school marching bands to compete in the 2026 Indiana State Fair Band Day Presented by Music Travel Consultants & Paige's Music.

Following an outstanding day of performances, the judges crowned Anderson High School Marching Highlanders the 2026 Indiana State Fair Band Day Champion.

For generations, Indiana State Fair Band Day has celebrated the talent, dedication, and passion of student musicians from every corner of the state. The competition showcases not only musical excellence but also the commitment, teamwork, and school pride that define Indiana's marching band tradition.

The 2026 Indiana State Fair Band Day "Sweet Sixteen," as selected by the judges:

1. Anderson High School Marching Highlanders
2. Ben Davis High School
3. Centerville Blue Regiment
4. Hagerstown Junior-Senior High School
5. Jay County High School
6. Kokomo High School
7. Marion Marching Giants
8. Monroe Central Golden Bear Marching Band
9. Montgomery County United Marching Band
10. Mooresville High School
11. Spirit of Muncie Band And Guard
12. Northeastern High School Marching Knights
13. Richmond Red Devil Marching Band
14. The Sound of West Side
15. Winchester Community High School
16. Pride of Yorktown Marching Band & Guard

The 2026 Indiana State Fair runs through August 23, closed Mondays. Guests can experience live entertainment, 4-H competitions, agriculture, family attractions, and all the traditions that make the Indiana State Fair one of Indiana's favorite summer destinations.

About the Indiana State Fair:
The Indiana State Fair, known as the state's premier multi-day event, is a vibrant celebration of the Hoosier spirit and agricultural legacy. Over 15 exciting days, it unites communities across Indiana to honor the state's unique identity and welcomes visitors from far and wide. Renowned for its top-notch entertainment, spotlight on 4-H youth, engaging agricultural education programs, modern facilities, and an array of delicious fare, the Indiana State Fair has been a treasured tradition for Hoosiers for over a century. The 2026 Indiana State Fair takes place from August 7th to August 23rd (closed Mondays). For comprehensive event information, ticket details, and attractions, be sure to visit our official website at www.indianastatefair.com.