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Music for All Indiana State Fair Band Day Presented by Music Travel Consultants Announces Sweet Sixteen

August 4, 2018, Indianapolis, IN- After countless hours spent practicing and rehearsing for today's competition, 43 Indiana high school bands have fought long and hard for a spot in tonight's Sweet 16 Music for All Indiana State Fair Band Day Presented by Music Travel Consultants. Tonight at 8 p.m. the Sweet 16 will battle it out again for the prestigious first-place trophy and the honor of being named "Indiana's Best Band."

According to David Holscher, Indiana State Fair band day coordinator, "Band Day is going very well. The bands have some very creative show concepts. The level of performance from the students is amazing."

Position	School	Performance Time
1	Decatur County	8:08
2	Lebanon	8:16
3	Montgomery County	8:24
4	West Lafayette	8:32
5	Eastern Greene	8:40
6	Northeastern	8:48
7	Yorktown	8:56
8	Hagerstown	9:04
9	Jay County	9:36
10	Kokomo	9:44
11	Anderson	9:52
12	Muncie	10:00
13	Winchester	10:08
14	Noblesville	10:16
15	Centerville	10:24
16	Richmond	10:32

2018 "Sweet 16" Bands:

Evening Session/Finals: Hoosier Lottery Grandstand Seats: Adults \$10; Youth (Ages 6-12) \$4; Indiana State Fair Gate Admission \$13

8 p.m. Finals begin

10:30 p.m. Contest ends (approx.)

10:30 p.m. Awards Ceremony (approx.)

The Band Day competition has eight judges who rank performances and send the "Sweet 16" to the finals. This year is the competition's fourth year partnering with Music For All, an arts and advocacy organization.

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 2018 Indiana State Fair will be held August 3-19. The 2018 theme pays homage to Indiana's rich circus heritage by offering a world-class Big Top Circus presented by Bee Window. The new family-friendly Big Top Circus is FREE with paid State Fair admission and features acrobats, clowns, trapeze artists and more! For more information, visit <u>www.indianastatefair.com</u>.

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