



Annual State of Illinois Invitational High School Marching Band Championship • Illinois State University Saturday, October 21, 2023

General: The ISU Invitational High School Marching Band Championship uses a *Prelims/Finals format*. In the preliminary competition, bands are divided into six classes (1A-6A) based on school enrollment size, and they compete within their class for placement and caption awards. At the end of preliminary competition, 14 bands will advance to the evening finals. The 2023 ISU Marching Band Championship features 15 bands in Class 5A&6A (including Prospect) and 42 bands overall.

PMK BOOSTER GUIDE



Websites: <https://finearts.illinoisstate.edu/bands/band-day/>
http://www.ilmarching.com/festivals_detail.php?FestivalID=916

Tickets:

- \$15.00 for all day admission, including Finals. Children 5 & under free.
- No advance ticket sales.
- Stadium ticket windows are located at the east stadium entrance.

Location & Parking:

- Illinois State University • Hancock Stadium • Normal, IL
- Parking is generally available in several nearby lots, including lots directly east of the stadium across Main St (Lots F64, G64, & North University Garage), and south of the stadium (Lot G53 - accessed from College Ave, and F43). See map on following pages.

Schedule Highlights: [Complete schedule](#) and [spectator guide](#) is available on the website.

- 2:12 pm - Class 3A-4A Awards and Break
- 4:24 pm - Class 5A & 6A Begins (Performing in random drawn order 14 Bands; 14 min per band)

5:34 pm - Lockport township.

5:48 pm - Prospect Marching Knights perform (5A).

6:02 pm - Oswego.

- 6:16 pm - ISU **Big Red Marching Machine** exhibition performance
- **6:30 pm – Class 5A-6A Awards and Announcement of Finalists**
- Please do not send results to your PMK. Allow Mr. Barnum to share results with the band.
- **7:00 pm – Finals Competition begins**
- If selected for Finals, Prospect Band Boosters will post performance time on Facebook.
- **11:00 pm – Finals Competition Award Ceremony**

Site Notes:

- This competition is an opportunity to watch many of the best marching bands in Illinois, and a great opportunity to enjoy this year's performances from high in the stands of a larger stadium.
- Seating is available in the east grandstands, with entrance through the central east gates.
- Hancock Stadium operates a [CLEAR BAG POLICY](#).
- After renovations in 2013, Hancock Stadium now has bench backrests for all seats. You may still want to bring a seat pad or stadium chair to avoid sitting directly on the (possibly) cold bench.
- The stadium also has 500 individual club seats – first come, first served, though sometimes not open during preliminary competition. These seats are in the upper 1/3 of the stadium, between

the 30 yard lines. To access club seats, climb to the top of the stadium using an aisle outside of the 30's, then walk to the center. (See attached pics)

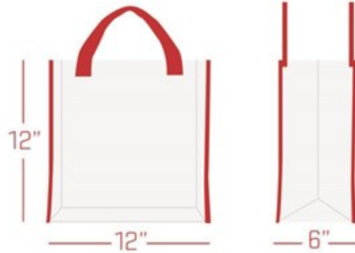
- Illinois State Marching band Championships will provide a live stream of the event for anyone who can't attend on the day [BOX5 PAYMENT FORM](#)

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APPROVED BAGS

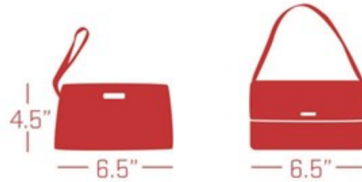
CLEAR BAG
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12" x 6" x 12"



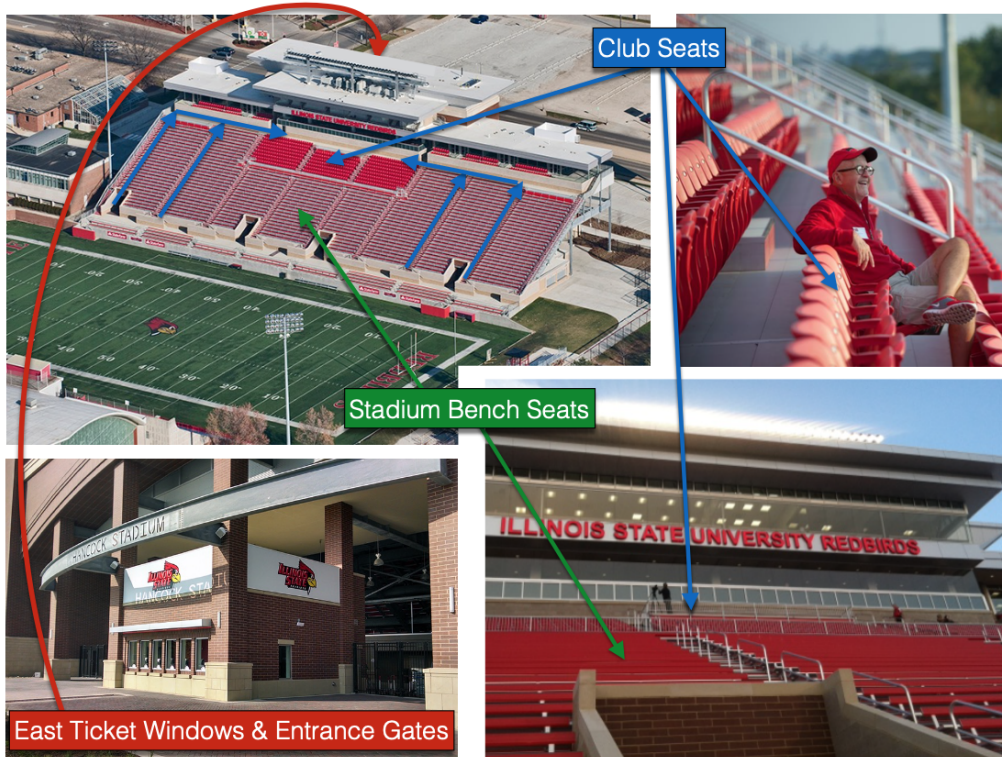
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One gallon resealable

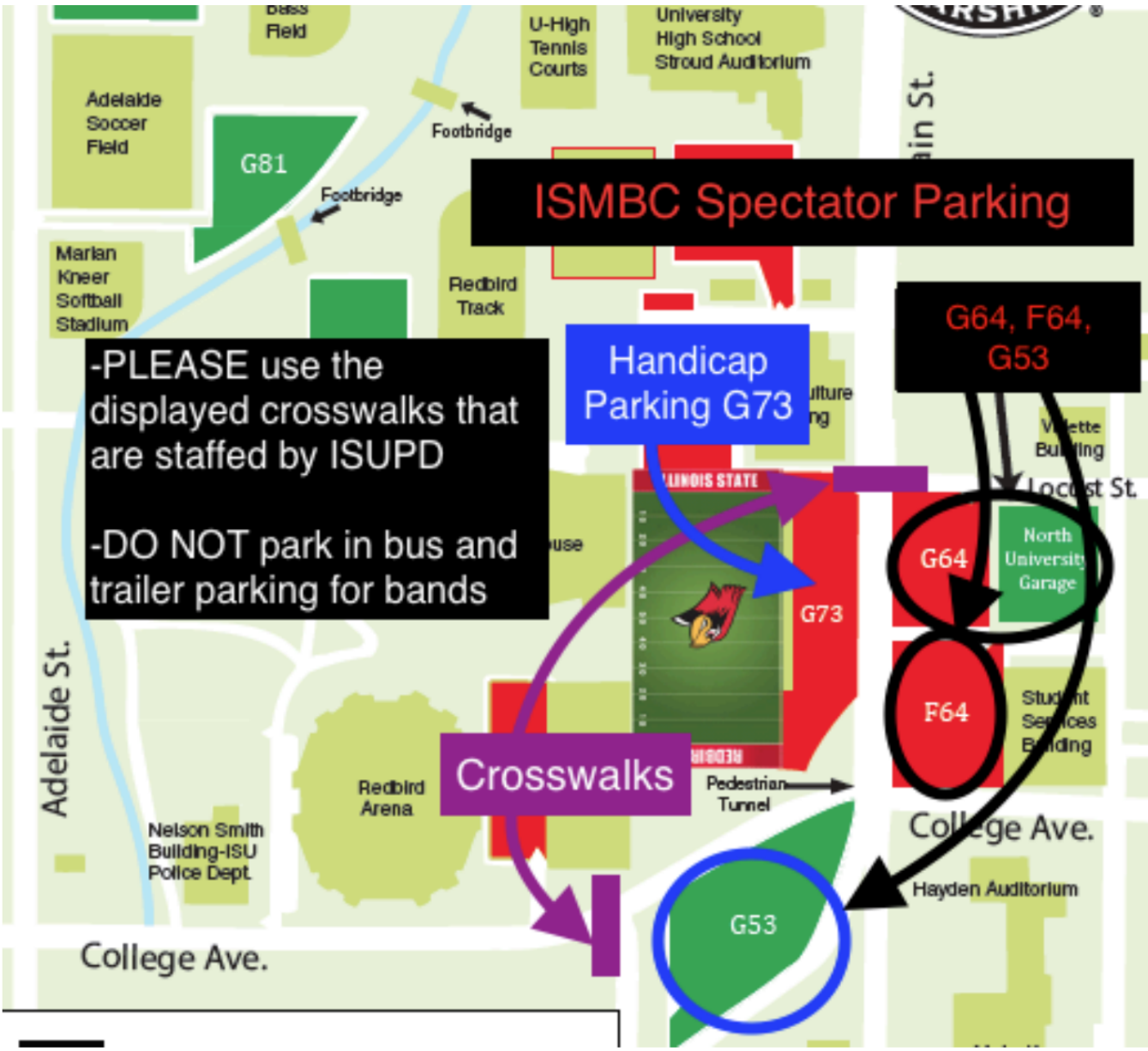


SMALL CLUTCH PURSE
No larger than
4.5" x 6.5"



SEAT CUSHION
No arms or pockets





ISMBC Spectator Parking

-PLEASE use the displayed crosswalks that are staffed by ISUPD
-DO NOT park in bus and trailer parking for bands

Handicap Parking G73

G64, F64, G53

Crosswalks

G64
F64

G53