



March 20, 2010

Dear Illinois High School Band Director:

Greetings from Evanston! Consider this letter an invitation to participate in two events that we will host again next fall: High School Band Day and the Northwestern Homecoming Parade.

High School Band Day is a mass band event that will be held during half-time of the Northwestern/ Illinois State football game on Saturday, September 11. Game time has yet to be announced. Your participation will include a rehearsal with the Northwestern "Wildcat" Marching Band, admission into the game, and the half-time performance (weather dependent) with the NU Band and other high school band participants. This is a non-competitive event with little marching involved.

The NU Homecoming Parade will be held on our campus Friday, October 22 at 8:00 p.m. Thousands of enthusiastic Northwestern fans line the parade route on Sheridan Road in Evanston each year for this event. Participation includes:

- an option to enter in competition
- an open rehearsal of the Northwestern University Marching Band
- a group meal after this rehearsal with the other participating bands
- attending the pep rally/NU Marching Band Concert at 7:00 p.m. before the parade

Please find the enclosed applications for each event. Detailed schedules, music information, and other logistical information will be mailed to you upon receipt of the applications.

If you have any questions or if I can be of any assistance to you, please do not hesitate to contact me at (847) 491-4751 or d-farris@northwestern.edu. Best wishes for the remainder of the school year!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Daniel J. Farris".

Daniel J. Farris  
Director of Athletic Bands  
Director, National High School Music Institute

Enclosures

**APPLICATION**

**NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY BAND DAY**

**SEPTEMBER 11, 2010**

**(KICKOFF TBA)**

**PLEASE PRINT/TYPE ALL INFORMATION:**

**DATE: \_\_\_\_\_**

**YES, THE \_\_\_\_\_ HIGH SCHOOL  
BAND WILL PARTICIPATE IN THE NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY BAND DAY ON  
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2010.**

**PROJECTED NUMBER OF STUDENTS WHO WILL BE PARTICIPATING: \_\_\_\_\_**

**BAND DIRECTOR'S NAME AND PREFERRED MAILING ADDRESS:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**E-MAIL: \_\_\_\_\_**

**SCHOOL PHONE #: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_**

**CELL PHONE # (EMERGENCY ONLY): (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_**

**RETURN BY JULY 30, 2010 TO:**

**DAN FARRIS  
NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY BANDS  
60 ARTS CIRCLE DRIVE  
REGENSTEIN HALL - RM. 046  
EVANSTON, IL 60208**

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**Application**  
**Northwestern University**  
**Homecoming Parade**  
**October 22, 2010, 8:00 p.m.**

Please print all information:

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Yes, the \_\_\_\_\_ High School Band will participate in the Northwestern University Homecoming Parade on Friday, October 23, 2009.

Projected number of students who will be participating: \_\_\_\_\_

We wish to be considered (circle one):    in competition        in non-competition

Band Director's Name \_\_\_\_\_  
and preferred mailing \_\_\_\_\_  
address and zip code \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

School Phone #: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone # (Emergency only): (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

**Return by September 13th to:**  
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