

July, 2008

Dear High School Bandmaster,

The Annual New Jersey State Firemen's Convention is scheduled to be held on September 12th and September 15th, 2008 in Wildwood, New Jersey. As usual, we will have a mammoth parade to conclude the festivities on Saturday, September 13th, 2008 at 1:00 P.M.

We would very much like to have your band participate in this event. **The new shortened parade route** (from 2.5 to 1.5 miles) will afford your band an excellent opportunity to formulate your musical programs at an early date before the football season gets underway.

A \$500.00 donation and a **\$300 fuel travel bonus** will be given to those bands who participate, as well as a recognition plaque. Hopefully, this money could be put to use in whatever way that would best serve your band.

We are sure that your band's exposure and the early experience will be rewarding.

Band prizes will be awarded as follows:

- \$800.00 1st Prize
- \$500.00 2nd Prize
- \$400.00 3rd Prize
- \$300.00 4th Prize



NOTE SHORTENED PARADE ROUTE: Parade begins at Cresse Avenue and ends at 22nd Street.

Respectfully Yours,
 RICHARD J. ADAIR
 Parade Committee Chairman

BAND RULES

- 1) **NEW FOR 2008: Parade begins at Cresse Avenue. Bands may be dropped off in either the 100 East or 100 West Block of Cresse Avenue. They will then be injected into the parade.**
- 2) All buses waiting for any band must park in either the 100 East or 100 West Block of 22nd Street.
- 3) All bands must exit the end of the parade at 22nd Street to the east or west.
- 4) There is no stopping on New Jersey Avenue at 22nd Street due to large fire apparatus that will be behind a band in this area.
- 5) A designated parade Marshall will issue a check to the band director at 22nd and New Jersey Avenue as their bands exit the parade route.
- 6) Any band who leaves the parade route prior to the 22nd Street exit point will be disqualified from any prize consideration and will not receive any participation donation for their organization.
- 7) Every band must have a designated representative present at the awards ceremony to receive any prizes awarded.

*** Do Not Stop on NJ Avenue ***

PLEASE RETURN BY SEPTEMBER 1, 2008

- WE WILL ATTEND THE 131ST STATE FIREMEN'S CONVENTION
 WE WILL NOT ATTEND
 WE WILL BE ATTENDING WITH A FIRE DEPARTMENT YES NO

NAME OF FIRE DEPARTMENT _____

_____ NUMBER OF MEMBERS IN BAND

_____ Name of Band

_____ Bandmaster

Please supply your full mailing address.

Phone No. _____

(Day and Night)

131ST ANNUAL NEW JERSEY STATE FIREMEN'S CONVENTION September 13th & 14th, 2008

Parade
Route
Shortened
for 2008!
Now 1.5 mile



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