



87TH NORTH IOWA BAND FESTIVAL PARADE ENTRY APPLICATION

10 AM | Saturday, May 23, 2026



Bands, Birthdays, and Brass

Company/Organization _____

Contact Name _____ Email _____

Address _____ City, State, Zip Code _____

Phone _____ Length of Entry _____ CANNOT EXCEED 11FT IN HEIGHT / NUMBER OF VEHICLES

Does entry include music? No Yes, please describe _____

i.e. Live Band, Singing, Radio, Boom Box, etc

Does entry include animals? No Yes, please list _____

All animals must have a clean-up crew following them.

Brief description of entry for announcement during live broadcast:

Entry Fee \$75 Chamber Members \$ _____

\$25 Non-Profit Chamber Members \$ _____

\$300 Non-Chamber Members \$ _____

\$50 Non-Profit Non-Chamber Members \$ _____

Clean-Up Fee \$25 If distributing items during the parade* _____ \$ _____

*A clean-up fee is charged for all entries distributing candy, printed material, or any other type of handout. Items are to be handed, NOT thrown into the street or crowd from any float or vehicle for the safety of the children & spectators. All distributed items must have prior approval of the Band Festival Committee to assure compliance.

Late Fee \$25 Applies for entry forms received AFTER May 18, 2026 \$ _____

TOTAL ENTRY FEE \$ _____

Parade entries are placed in order of float entry form return date with priority given to sponsors, honorees, emergency vehicles, and marching bands.

Credit Card Invoice Check (Payable to Chamber of Commerce) Cash

Credit Card Number _____ Exp _____ CSV _____ Billing Zip _____

WAIVER

I agree to indemnify and hold harmless the North Iowa Band Festival, Chamber of Commerce, and/or its staff and volunteers from any claims for personal injury, property damage, and any fees, fines, or costs caused directly or indirectly, by our entry's participation in the parade.

Please Complete Form & Return to:
North Iowa Band Festival
9 N Federal Ave | Mason City, IA 50401
kschultz@masoncityia.com
641.423.5724
www.nibandfest.com

Signature Date

For office use only: Date Received _____



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AWARDS

- **Grand Marshal Award** – For best use of the 2025 *North Iowa Band Festival* theme “Bands, Birthdays, and Brass”, based on originality, public appeal, craftsmanship/artistic quality.
- **Mr. Toot Award** – For best use of any theme based on originality, public appeal, craftsmanship/artistic quality.

PARADE ENTRY RULES & REGULATIONS

- For the safety of all, candy, printed material, or other handouts may NOT be thrown from vehicles. Giveaway items must be handed to spectators by walking members of the parade entry.
- No candy, printed material or other type of handout may be distributed in the Judging Zone on the parade route. This is approximately 1.5 blocks from the beginning of the parade, and ends just past the KIMT studio. This area is the designated judging zone for the high school marching bands, royalty, and floats. Items may be distributed after the entry passes this area.
- Entries may not be political in nature or be used to advance any political or social issue.
- Elected officials currently serving in city, county, state, and national office are permitted to appear in the parade as dignitaries, and may be identified solely by name and current office.
- A description of the entry must be included on the reverse side of this form.
- Entries with animals must have a clean up crew following them.
- Squirt guns or devices that spray water are prohibited.
- No semi-trucks/tractors/motorcycles or units making excessive noise are allowed.
- Any entry deemed in poor taste or offensive to the general public will not be allowed to participate. Keep in mind the *North Iowa Band Festival* parade is part of a family festival and every unit should be appropriate for this audience.
- No parade entry can exceed 11 feet in height (measured from ground level).
- Each unit must have an entry form and parade number. Parade entry numbers will be assigned and sent to the contact name on the entry registration. It is the contact’s responsibility to share that number with all parties in the unit.
- Parade order is up to the sole discretion of the parade organizers.
- It is the responsibility of each entry to maintain a reasonable pace to eliminate gaps in the flow of the parade. Volunteer parade marshals will be stationed along the parade route to keep the parade moving.
- Parade marshals are volunteers. All entries must follow their direction during the parade.
- Any parade entry with children under the age of 18 must have adult supervision on the float/entry at all times. Adult supervision must be someone other than the driver.
- All entrants must carry adequate insurance coverage and be driven by a competent, licensed driver. The parade contact is responsible for informing drivers of the entry number, line-up locations, and pick-up area.
- **Festival organizers reserve the right to refuse any entry.**