

# 2010 Grand Nationals

## BOA Grand Nationals – Indy Here We Come!

The Bands of America Grand Nationals Championship runs from November 11 through the 13th. The competition is held at the Lucas Oil Stadium in Indianapolis, IN. This article should provide most of your need-to-know info.

A few key items:

- We leave for Indy on Wednesday, November 10. Check your fanout and the [pcmb.net](http://pcmb.net) competitions page.
- We return from Indy on Sunday, November 14.
- Our preliminary competition is on Friday, November 12 at 6:30 pm.
- The kids, directors and chaperones will be staying at:

Flat Rock River YMCA Camp  
6981 W County Road 650 North  
St Paul IN 47272

- The lodging and practice field locations are closed to visitors. Mr. Frazier and staff will need to focus on the show.
- If you are a chaperone, you are responsible for purchasing your own tickets to enter the Lucas Oil Stadium for any of the performances. Name badges and field passes for staff and crew have been sent to the band director's office and have been/will be distributed.
- Photography Policy: Still cameras (digital or film, professional or otherwise) ARE allowed in the stadium and may ONLY be used from stadium seating, but not on the field. Staff and crew – keep the cameras stowed while you are at field level. You can, if you wish, access stadium seats to take pictures. Videotaping, as well as audio taping, is NOT permitted from anywhere in the stadium. Violations of this policy could cause assessment of a penalty to the band.
- For this, as well as other information concerning BOA, you can visit [www.musicforall.org](http://www.musicforall.org).
- Please review the Nurse's notes in this Newsletter and advise if there have been any changes to your emergency contact information.

### BOA Grand Nationals – What to bring

Bring all materials you would need for any rehearsal at home. You will need drill cards, drill books, pencils, and ALL other equipment.

**Bedding:** Because we will be staying at a camp, air mattresses are not needed. However, sleeping bags and/or blankets and a pillow are a must. Please store all bedding in a garbage bag with your name clearly marked on the outside. ALL SLEEPING BAGS/BED ROLLS MUST BE AT SCHOOL BY 7:00 PM ON Tuesday NIGHT (November 9th)

**Shower Items:** Towel and washcloth, swimsuit (for modesty during showers), toiletries (soap, shampoo, toothpaste and toothbrush, etc.). You may want to bring flip-flops as well. Hair dryer. Please double up by sharing with a friend. There are NEVER enough outlets anyway.

**Uniforms:** All uniform parts and accessories including:

- marching shoes
- 3 pairs black socks and 3 pairs white socks
- 2010 member shirts
- other plain white/gray t-shirt to back up or second shirt.

EVERYTHING SHOULD BE CLEARLY LABELED WITH YOUR NAME!

We never know what kind of weather we're going to have. Bring enough clothes to be able to dress in layers. Rain gear may come in handy as our practice facility is outdoors. Remember to pack light. You must be able to carry your own luggage. Do not bring entertainment items such as large video games/TV's etc. (iPods and gameboys ok)

### **Nurse's Notes**

Please contact Betsy Walter if you have any changes in your child's medical information, medications, or changes in your insurance or emergency contact information. Just like school, students ARE NOT ALLOWED TO HAVE ANY MEDICATIONS IN THEIR POSSESSION—prescription or over the counter.

The exceptions to this rule are:

- Rescue Inhalers for asthma
- EPI-PENS
- Insulin Pumps
- Skin creams for acne, eczema, etc.

Remind your child to keep the RESCUE INHALERS AND EPI-PENS WITH THEM AT ALL TIMES!! The nurses will have Tylenol, Motrin, cold and allergy medicine, etc., with us—you DO NOT need to send this unless your child requires a specific brand or form (such as liquid or chewable Tylenol or Motrin, dye-free products, etc.)

The nurse will be collecting medications for the trip after practice on Tuesday, November 9th. Please make every effort to bring it that night. Make sure that the medications are in their original container and that the dosage is clearly marked. Please put the containers in a Ziploc bag with your child's name on it.

A final note for parents: please make sure that your child packs appropriate clothing, including several socks and a few pairs of tennis shoes. It most likely will be cold and possibly damp since it is November—but we have also been known to see 70 degree days and students with sunburns!! Don't forget the sunscreen and sunglasses, along with the sweatpants, sweatshirts, gloves, hats and jackets. BE PREPARED!!

If you should have any questions, please email the nurse.

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