



2025 Bands of America Ballad Health East Tennessee Regional Championship is in Johnson City, Tennessee, on Oct. 18.

22 high school marching bands will compete for the regional championship title

JOHNSON CITY, TENNESSEE - High School marching band students from across the region will perform at the Bands of America Ballad Health East Tennessee Regional Championship, presented by Yamaha, Saturday, Oct. 18 at Ballad Health Athletic Center at East Tennessee State University.

Bands from Georgia, Kentucky, North Carolina, Ohio, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tennessee, and Virginia will compete. Bands of America Championships are the nation's premier marching band events, showcasing outstanding student musicians and visual performances.

This event is hosted by East Tennessee State University Marching Bucs.

There will be an exhibition performance by the East Tennessee State University Marching Bucs following the conclusion of the preliminary competition at 4:15 p.m.

For a look at the full schedule of bands, [visit marching.musicforall.org](https://marching.musicforall.org).

Bands take the field for preliminary competition performances at 8:45 a.m. Gates will open to the public at 8:15 a.m. Times are subject to change, visit marching.musicforall.org for the latest event schedule.

Performances will be evaluated by a panel of nationally recognized music educators and marching band experts. The 12 highest-scoring bands will advance to the evening finals with the top-scoring band named champion at the end of the night. The first competing finalist band is at 7:30 p.m. with gates opening at 6:30 p.m.

The 2025 Bands of America Championships season includes 29 events across America, culminating with the Bands of America Grand National Championships at Lucas Oil Stadium in Indianapolis, November 13-15.

Music for All is celebrating its 50th anniversary this season. Since 1975, Bands of America has supported music education and the marching arts. This year, the organization celebrates all the bands who have stepped foot on a marching field and create the path for all who will come. For more information, visit musicforall.org/50

Tickets

All tickets are digital, and the event is cashless. Spectators can skip the line and buy tickets online at marching.musicforall.org.

Check out the website for all ticket options, including full day passes, tickets for finals and student group tickets, as well as stadium policies to know before you go.

Children 10 years or younger are admitted for free for general admission seating.

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Music for All's efforts are supported by national presenting sponsor Yamaha Corporation of America and its family of sponsors, strategic partners, and grantmaking foundations.

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