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Order of Appearance

National Anthem

Class A
Deep Creek
Courtland

Break

Class AA
Brooke Point
Thomas Edison
Woodgrove

Intermission/Dinner

Class AAA
Washington-Lee

Class AAAAA
Stone Bridge
Robinson

Break

Class AAAAA
Westfield
John Champe
Rock Ridge

Break

Exhibition – Oakton High School’s
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Judge Bios

MUSIC

Denny Stokes
Denny Stokes is the founding conductor of the NVYW Symphonic Winds. Prior to assuming this position, he directed high school bands at three schools in Fairfax County, Virginia for thirty-two years, and continues to serve as a clinician, conductor and adjudicator in the eastern United States.

Mr. Stokes attended the University of Tennessee, Knoxville, receiving his BS in music education, followed by a MM in conducting at George Mason University. He is the only high school band director in the United States to have earned the prestigious Sudler Flag of Honor with two high school bands. Elected to the American Bandmasters Association in 2005, he also maintains professional affiliations with the National Band Association, Music Educators National Conference, Virginia Music Educators Association, Virginia Band & Orchestra Directors Association, Fairfax Band Directors Association and Phi Beta Mu. Mr. Stokes has served VBODA as chairman in two districts and as President of VBODA, and continues as an active past president. In 2011, he was awarded the Sidney Berg Service Award by VBODA.

Linda Gammon
Linda Gammon is currently the conductor of the Northern Virginia Youth Winds Junior Band and is the State Executive for Virginia Music Educators Association. She is a retired FCPS band director and past president of VBODA and VMEA. She also serves as a university supervisor for student teachers for George Mason University, Shenandoah University and James Madison University.

VISUAL

Daniel J. Schoemmell
Daniel Schoemmell received his B.M.E and M.M.E. from Shenandoah Conservatory of Shenandoah University Winchester, Virginia. In June 2004, after 40 years in public school music education, Mr. Schoemmell retired from the Frederick County Virginia Public Schools. He is a past President of the Virginia Band and Orchestra Directors Association (VBODA) and a past President of the Virginia Music Educators Association (VMEA) and currently serves on the Executive Boards of both organizations. In addition to other honors, Mr. Schoemmell was named “Music Educator of the Year” by the VEMA and received the first “Alumnus of Excellence” award presented by the continued

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Shenandoah Conservatory. Additionally, he was named “Teacher of the Year” by the Wal-Mart Foundation. At retirement, Mr. Schoemmell was a Virginia Honor Band Director for 22 consecutive years and was inducted into the Virginia Honor Band Directors Hall of Fame. He was honored with the Phil Fuller Award, which at the time of award was given for outstanding service to the VBODA. Mr. Schoemmell is a member of the National Association for Music Educators (NAfME), VMEA, VBODA, Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia and in 2012 he was inducted into the Phi Beta Mu Hall of Fame. In 2014 he was inducted into VBODA Hall of Fame, Class of 2014. Mr. Schoemmell continues to serve on a limited basis as a clinician, guest conductor, and adjudicator at concert, marching and jazz assessments, festivals, and competitions.

James Stegner
Mr. Jim Stegner recently retired as a director of bands after 11 years at James River High School, VA a 14-year Virginia Honor Band school. A graduate of Colorado State University and Northwestern University, Mr. Stegner has 37 years of experience and has taught at Falls Church High School, Lake Braddock Secondary, Woodbridge High School and James River High School. Mr. Stegner is in constant demand as a clinician and adjudicator across Virginia.

Aaron Morgan is currently the Director of Bands at W.T. Woodson High School in Fairfax, Virginia. A native of Cobb County, Georgia, he was previously Director of Bands at Madison County High School in Danielsville, GA. Aaron is currently the Visual Coordinator and Assistant Visual Caption Head for the Spirit of Atlanta Drum & Bugle Corps, and has been a member of the instructional and educational team there for six seasons. He is an active educator, clinician, and adjudicator in the marching arts.

Aaron received his undergraduate degree from Georgia State University in Music Education in 2011. While at GSU, he studied euphonium with Adam Frey. He was heavily involved with CNAfME, holding the offices of president, vice-president, and treasurer at various times. His long-time affiliation with Drum Corps International began in 2008 as a performing member of the Spirit of Atlanta Drum & Bugle Corps. During and after his college experience, he served on the staff of several outstanding high school band programs in the Atlanta metro area, all which have won local grand championships and Bands of America Finalist and Regional Champion distinctions. In 2013, Aaron decided to further his studies by pursuing a Master’s degree in Music Performance in euphonium at Arizona State University studying with Dr. Deanna Swoboda. While there, he played in the wind ensemble, and

### 2017 Oakton Classic Award Sheet

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### Oakton Classic Award History

#### Grand Champion
- 2016 McLean High School
- 2015 Rock Ridge High School
- 2014 James Madison High School
- 2013 McLean High School
- 2010 Battlefield High School
- 2009 Robinson Secondary School

#### Class 2A 1st Place
- 2015 Rock Ridge High School
- 2014 Mount Vernon High School
- 2013 George C. Marshall High School
- 2011 Parkview High School
- 2010 South County Secondary School
- 2009 South County Secondary School

#### Gold Award
- 2015 Lake Braddock Secondary School
- 2014 James Madison High School
- 2013 McLean High School
- 2011 McLean High School
- 2010 Lake Braddock Secondary School
- 2009 Robinson Secondary School

#### Class 3A 1st Place
- 2016 Colonial Forge High School
- 2015 Stone Bridge High School
- 2014 John Champe High School
- 2013 Forest Park High School
- 2011 Centreville High School
- 2010 Fairfax High School
- 2009 Fairfax High School

#### Burgundy Award
- 2016 Patriot High School
- 2015 Rock Ridge High School
- 2014 Mount Vernon High School
- 2013 George C. Marshall High School
- 2011 Parkview High School
- 2010 West Carteret High School
- 2009 South County Secondary School

#### Class 4A 1st Place
- 2016 Millbrook High School
- 2015 West Potomac High School
- 2014 James Madison High School
- 2013 Stone Bridge High School
- 2011 McLean High School
- 2010 Battlefield High School
- 2009 WT Woodson High School

#### Class A 1st Place
- 2016 Thomas Edison High School
- 2015 JEB Stuart High School
- 2014 Spotsylvania High School
- 2013 C. D. Hylton High School
- 2011 Mt. Vernon High School
- 2010 Spotswood High School
- 2009 Spotswood High School

#### Class 5A 1st Place
- 2016 McLean High School
- 2015 Lake Braddock Secondary School
- 2014 McLean High School
- 2013 McLean High School
- 2011 West Potomac High School
- 2010 Lake Braddock Secondary School
- 2009 Robinson Secondary School

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formed a graduate tuba-euphonium quartet chamber ensemble, and was an active member of the studio, performing at conferences and participating in world premiers.

Aaron also performed with Tara Winds, an Atlanta-based community band, in December of 2015 at the MidWest Band and Orchestra Clinic. Aaron was on brass staff with Alliance Drum & Bugle Corps from Atlanta, Georgia in 2011, 2014, and 2015.

Aaron lives in Fairfax, VA with is his wife, Erin, and their cats, Tara and Clara.

PERCUSSION

Scott Hines

A 1994 graduate of Shenandoah University, Sergeant Hinds earned a Bachelor of Music Education degree with a performance certificate. In 1994, he was Shenandoah University’s Concerto Competition winner and also received the Wilkins Conservatory Award. Before joining the Air Force, Sergeant Hinds was active as a freelance musician in the Mid Atlantic region. Today he continues to work nationally as a clinician and adjudicator, as well as maintain an active studio of students.

GUARD

Kenneth Putnam
Kenneth Putnam is a musician living in his native city of Richmond, Virginia. He is an active performer in professional musical theater productions in the city. He has over 15 years of active color guard teaching with many WGI world finalists including Act 1 Color Guard as well as the 2014, 2015 and 2016 Open Class finalists Stonewall Independent from Northern Virginia. He has also taught at James Bowie High School in Austin, Texas.

How to Rate the Bands

The Oakton Classic follows the Virginia Band and Orchestra Association (VBODA) class size and judging guidelines. Trophies are presented to each VBODA class along with the 1st Grand Champion and 2nd Grand Champion awards. The following Caption Awards will be presented to each class: Best Music, Best Marching, Best Percussion and Best Guard.

Today, while you are enjoying the performance of each band, keep in mind that the judges are rating each band’s performance in five different categories:

Music Performance: quality of the sound; tone quality; control intonation; balance and blend; technique: articulation, pulse, subdivision, facility, attacks and releases.

Visual Performance: technique of marchers, distance, body carriage, movement, equipment, ensemble form, space, time, style, precision, accuracy.

General Effect: design of the program, quality, substance, depth of repertoire, continuity, staging of program, suitability of ensemble.

Percussion: quality of orchestration, creativity and variety, simultaneous responsibility, visual musicality, unity of all elements, precision, consistency, clarity and individual technique.

Color Guard: range of form, body, and equipment, use within the overall show design, use of expressive and technical components, enhancement of musical structure, simultaneous responsibilities, demonstration of training, achievement of body and equipment challenges, precision with respect to overall challenges.

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Courtney
(clarinet mom)
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**Bands**

**Edison Eagle Marching Band**  
*Thomas A Edison High School, Alexandria, VA*  
*Class AA – Musicians: 55 – Total in Band: 60*  
**DIRECTOR:** Charlie Mitchell, Dan Helm  
**DRUM MAJORS:** Ashley Ross  
**GUARD CAPTAIN:** Stephen Santos  
**REPERTOIRE:** Show Title: “iBand” featuring:  
- iMove  
- iPlay  
- iGroove

**Deep Creek Marching Hornets**  
*Deep Creek High School, Chesapeake, VA*  
*Class A – Musicians: 44 – Total in Band: 59*  
**DIRECTOR:** Debbie Beck  
**DRUM MAJOR:** Roderic Williams & Carolyn Barrington  
**FIELD COMMANDER:** Ryan Richardson  
**GUARD CAPTAINS:** Kayla Edwards & Emily Reynolds  
**REPERTOIRE:** Show Title: “Crime and Punishment” featuring:  
- I. Breakout  
- II. The Negotiation  
- III. Back in Custody  
**AWARDS:**  
- 2nd Place Band Class A – Southeastern Virginia Music Games 2016  
- 2nd Place Guard Class A – Southeastern Virginia Music Games 2016  
- 2nd Place Band – Oakton Classic 2016  
- Best Guard – Oakton Classic 2016  
- Best Percussion – Oakton Classic 2016

**Marching Bulldogs**  
*Westfield High School, Chantilly, VA*  
*Class: AAAAA - Musicians: 154 Total in Band: 170*  
**DIRECTORS:** Alan P. Johnson  
**DRUM MAJORS:** Scarlett Sullivan & Matthew Montgomery  
**GUARD CAPTAINS:** Shamina Sahib & Abby Munt

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Love,  
Mom, Dad and Sydney
Bands (continued)

REPERTOIRE: Show Title: “Rise”
  featuring: The Dark Knight Theme – Hans Zimmer
  Symphony 11 – Dimitri Shostakovich
  Tim (from Inception) – Hans Zimmer
  First Cycle – Pat Metheny and Lyle Mars

AWARDS: 12 time VA Honor Band
2016 USBands Mid Atlantic Regional Champion
2015 USBands VA State Champion

Marching Knights
John Champe High School, Aldie, VA
Class AAAAA – Musicians: 142 – Total in Band: 168
DIRECTORS: Jonathan Phillip & Jamieson Carr
DRUM MAJORS: Kalista Fon, Ankitha Anumolu & Chloe Estrada
GUARD CAPTAINS: Ariel Beltran
REPERTOIRE: Show Title: “Stained Glass”
AWARDS: 4 Time Virginia Honor Band
Performed at the 2017 National Concert Band Festival

Royal Brigade
Courtland High School, Spotsylvania, VA
Class A – Musicians: 50 – Total in Band: 65
DIRECTORS: Don Leonard
DRUM MAJORS: Isaac Wilson
GUARD CAPTAINS: Cari Bean
REPERTOIRE: Show Title: “Out of the Darkness”
AWARDS: 11 Time Virginia Honor Band

Sam!
We love that this year is new and different in a MAJOR way!
We’re so proud of your hard work.
Love you,
Dad and Mom
Marching Generals
Washington Lee High School, Arlington, VA
Class AAA – Musicians: 81 – Total in Band: 96
DIRECTORS: Alex Robinson
DRUM MAJORS: Alex Eng
GUARD CAPTAINS: Winnie Brent
REPERTOIRE: Show Title: “Diego’s Goodbye”
featuring: Soleo
Estancia
Diego’s Goodbye
Granada
AWARDS: 11 year Virginia State Honor Band

Marching Bulldogs
Stone Bridge High School, Ashburn, VA
Class AAA – Musicians: 110 – Total in Band: 124
DIRECTORS: David Keller & Eric Blanks
DRUM MAJORS: Tanay Bapat & Sara Carter
GUARD CAPTAINS: Saralinda Contompasis
REPERTOIRE: Show Title: “The Elements”
Movements: Air–represented by Pachabel’s “Canon”
Fire–represented by Holst’s “Mars”

If you had the app, you’d know... How much we love you guys. Good job and keep up the good work!
-Your Drum Majors Emily, Devon & Sam

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Bands (continued)

Water—represented by “Shenandoah”
Earth—represented by Stravinsky’s “Firebird”
AWARDS: 2016-2017 Virginia Honor Band

Rock Ridge High School Marching Band
Rock Ridge High School, Ashburn, VA
Class AAAAA – Musicians: 80 – Total in Band: 100
DIRECTOR: Justin Ratcliff
DRUM MAJOR: Jake Snyder
REPETOIRE: Natures Wrath
AWARDS: 3 time Boa Regional Finalist, 4 time Virginia Honor Band and the 2015 Oakton Classic Grand Champions

James Robinson Marching Band
James W. Robinson Secondary School, Fairfax, VA
Class AAAA – Musicians: 131 – Total in Band: 158
DIRECTORS: Andrew Loft & Kinsey Holland
DRUM MAJOR: Makenna Robinson
GUARD CAPTAINS: Amanda Powell
REPETOIRE: Show Title “Mirrors”
featuring: selections from The Imitation Game
“Shofukan” by Snarky Puppy
Gustav Holst’s Second Suite in F
“Reflection” from Disney’s Mulan
“Chaos” from Gavin Greenway’s Reflections of Earth
AWARDS: 29 Year Virginia Honor Band
Selected to be a featured band at the 2018 Music For All National Concert Band Festival

Marching Cougars
Oakton High School, Vienna, VA
Class AAA – Musicians 94 - Total in Band 108
DIRECTORS: Dr. Jamie VanValkenberg
DRUM MAJORS: Emily Jorgenson/Devon Petrecca/Sam Walters
REPETOIRE: Show Title “A Breath of Spring in Fall”
aranged by Kent Baker
“Rite of Spring” by Igor Stravinsky
“Appalachian Morning” by Paul Halley
“The Main Title” from the movie Dreamer by John Debney
“Appalachian Spring” by Aaron Copland
AWARDS: 22 Year Virginia Honor Band

Cathleen,
We are so proud of you!
Go Cougars!
Love,
Mom and Dad

Shaelin – You’ve got the world at your feet and are ready to do great things with your life!
I’m very proud of you and looking forward to your amazing future!
-Love Mom
Jack and Audrey,
We hope you have a great year!
We are so proud of you.

Love, Mom and Dad

Kenna:
You go girl!

Love, Mom and Dad

Indeed I do!!
-Matt Davis

All our love
Mom, Dad,
Justin and Alex

Color Guard Seniors: making
Marching Band look good
for 4 years!

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2017 Oakton High School Marching Cougars

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On behalf of everyone at Oakton High School, the Band Boosters and the Marching Cougars, we thank the many volunteers – parents, friends, faculty, staff and students – who worked to make the 2017 Oakton Classic a success.

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