

**CENTRAL FLORIDA  
MARCHING ARTS  
INVITATIONAL**

**DIRECTORS INFORMATION PACKET**

**September 24, 2011  
Leesburg High School**

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# LEESBURG HIGH SCHOOL BAND

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Directors,

We are very pleased that you selected the Central Florida Marching Arts Invitational as a choice for a Regional Qualifier. Enclosed is a packet for your review including information sheets, maps, etc. A schedule of events is included in this packet for your reference.

We ask that you please have an announcer's sheet prepared for your band (enclosed). You may wish to include items such as the official title of your band (i.e. "Swarm of Sound" instead of "Leesburg High School Band"), your officers' names, your staff members, your drum majors, and/or the title of your show. Please bring this sheet with you the day of the event and turn it in at check-in. We do have your information from your registration for our announcer. In the event you forget your announcer sheet, we will use your registration information for announcements.

When you arrive, a member of the LHS Band Parents Association will greet you and you will meet your student guides. These guides will escort you until your performance and are trained to assist in anything you need. Let us all remember that these are students and let us all treat them with the dignity and respect we treat our own students. When you register you will receive a packet containing any updated information, a program, and a menu to plan for your meals. PLEASE NO TAILGATING (eating at the busses). Wrist bands will be provided for your chaperones (one for every seven students) and equipment handlers. Additional chaperones will need to purchase admission at one of our ticket gates at the cost of \$10 per individual.

Should you encounter any difficulties on the day of the Festival, please ask your guide to contact me personally. I or one of my staff will do whatever we can to make your day a pleasant and positive experience. Please feel free to contact me in advance with any questions or concerns. My cell phone number is (352) 250-6332. Emails are best, my address appears below.

Best wishes on the day of the assessment!

Musically,



Gabriel D. Fielder, *Director*  
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# CENTRAL FLORIDA MARCHING ARTS INVITATIONAL

Announcer's Sheet  
(please print neatly)  
or

Please Check Here if you would prefer we use your registration sheet \_\_\_\_\_

SCHOOL NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

BAND NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

MASCOT: \_\_\_\_\_ COLORS: \_\_\_\_\_

SCHOOL PRINCIPAL: \_\_\_\_\_

BAND DIRECTOR: \_\_\_\_\_

ASSISTANT BAND DIRECTOR: \_\_\_\_\_

INSTRUCTIONAL STAFF (w/titles): 1) \_\_\_\_\_

2) \_\_\_\_\_

3) \_\_\_\_\_

4) \_\_\_\_\_

DRUM MAJOR(S): \_\_\_\_\_

BAND CAPTAIN: \_\_\_\_\_

AUXILIARY CAPTAIN(S): \_\_\_\_\_

DRUM LINE CAPTAIN: \_\_\_\_\_

MUSICAL SELECTIONS: \_\_\_\_\_ (THEME)

1) \_\_\_\_\_ 2) \_\_\_\_\_

3) \_\_\_\_\_ 4) \_\_\_\_\_

GENERAL INFORMATION: \_\_\_\_\_

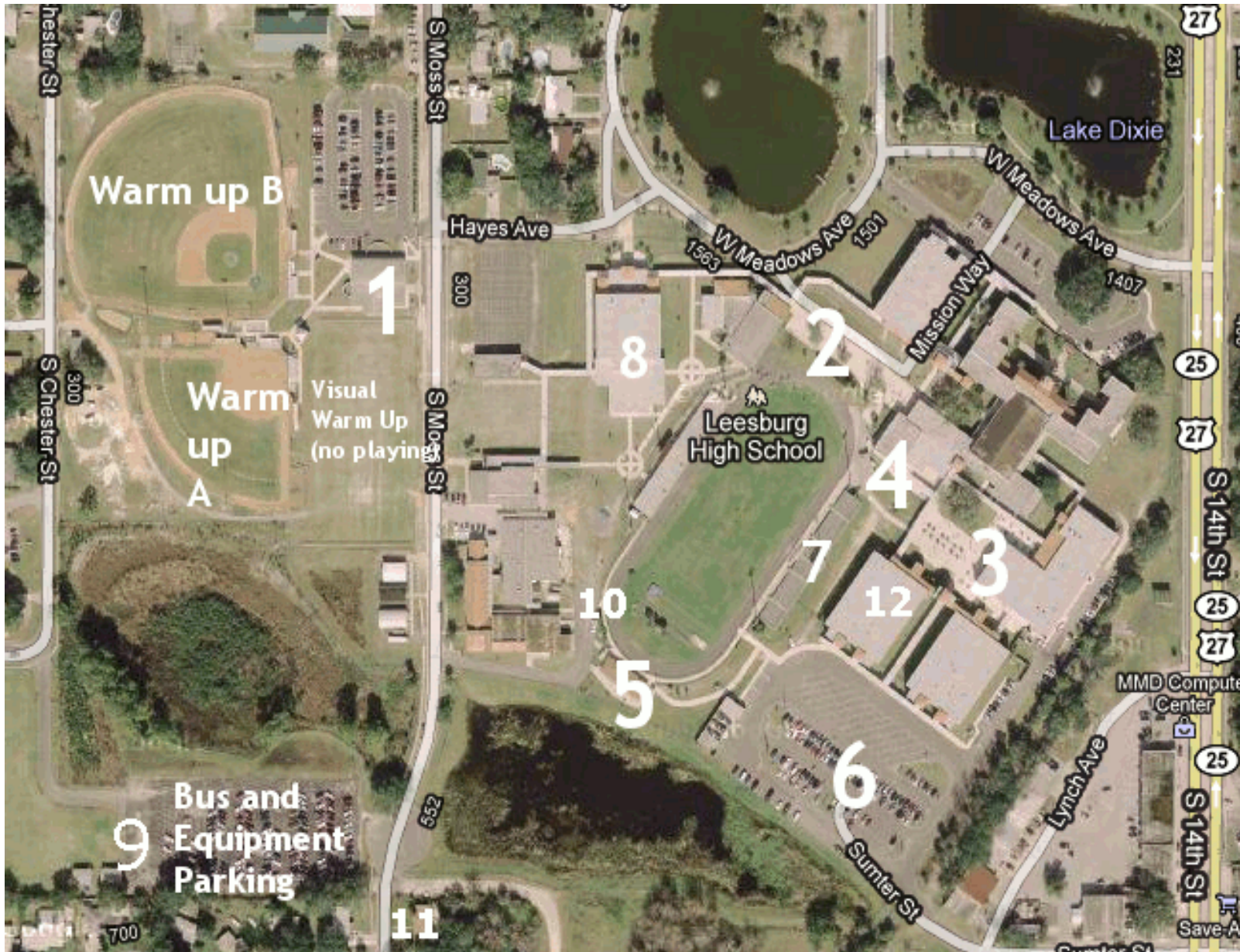
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School	Band	Class	Warm Up Area	Warm Up Time	Transition (Buffer)	Holding	Performance
South Sumter High School	Raider Marching Band	A	B	3:00 PM	3:30 PM	3:35 PM	<b>3:40 PM</b>
Mt. Dora Bible School	Bulldog Band	A	A	3:20 PM	3:50 PM	3:55 PM	<b>4:00 PM</b>
St. Cloud High School	Bulldog Band	AA	B	3:40 PM	4:10 PM	4:15 PM	<b>4:20 PM</b>
Umatilla High School	Fighting Bulldog Band	AA	A	4:00 PM	4:30 PM	4:35 PM	<b>4:40 PM</b>
<b>Dinner Break 4:50 to 5:50</b>							
Sebring High School	Spirit of Sebring Marching Band	AAA	B	5:10 PM	5:40 PM	5:45 PM	<b>5:50 PM</b>
Vanguard High School	Marching Knights	AAA	A	5:30 PM	6:00 PM	6:05 PM	<b>6:10 PM</b>
Mount Dora High School	Marching 'Canes	AAAA	B	5:50 PM	6:20 PM	6:25 PM	<b>6:30 PM</b>
Tavares High School	Tavares Marching Band	AAAA	A	6:10 PM	6:40 PM	6:45 PM	<b>6:50 PM</b>
Middleburg High School	Bronco Band	AAAAA	B	6:30 PM	7:00 PM	7:05 PM	<b>7:10 PM</b>
Leesburg High School	Swarm of Sound	EX	A	6:50 PM	7:20 PM	7:25 PM	<b>7:30 PM</b>
<b>Awards 8:00 PM</b>							
<b>Critique Begins at 7:50</b>							

# Leesburg High School Campus Map

*Welcome to our  
event!*



1. Field House – Restrooms and Dressing Area
2. Medical Station
3. Cafeteria and additional restrooms
4. Main Concessions
5. Concessions and additional restrooms
6. Spectator Parking
7. Festival Office (Press Box)
8. Gymnasium (*use only in case of rain*)
9. Bus and Equipment Parking; Welcome Tent
10. Holding Gate
11. Street Barricade
12. Judges Room

**Warm Up Areas –**  
Please point instruments away from the stadium!

# CENTRAL FLORIDA MARCHING ARTS INVITATIONAL GENERAL INFORMATION

**BUS PARKING:** Bus parking will be located in our underclassmen parking lot south of the main campus (please reference the map). Please remind students that there should be NO PLAYING OF INSTRUMENTS until your band arrives in your designated warm up area.

**EQUIPMENT VANS:** Equipment vans will be parked next to your bus.

**MEDICAL TENT:** Available with medical staff on hand at the north end zone of the stadium.

**REGISTRATION:** Upon your arrival, your band host and band guide will greet you in the bus parking area. Your host will escort you to the registration table. At the registration table, you will receive your festival packet. Please try to check in at least one hour prior to your gate time. It would also be helpful if you would post the name of your band in the bus windows.

**GATE ADMISSION:** The gate admission will be \$10.00 and no admission cost for children younger 6. Chaperones will be admitted at 1 for every 7 students and will need to have a wristband (provided in your welcome packet). Additional wristbands will be provided for your staff members as indicated on your registration.

**GUIDES:** A student guide will be assigned to your group and will stay with you as much as you wish. Your guide has been thoroughly briefed on festival procedures and should have the answers to most of your question and be helpful for any problems that may arise. As with most festivals, we will stamp or wristband all band members and chaperones hands. Also, please be as kind to our student guides as you would your own students. We understand the intensity of the day's event and these young men and women have been instructed to be professional and helpful and stay out of the way as much as possible.

**CHAPERONES:** Included in the registration packet will be wristbands for the director and chaperones. These bands will be used as admission for the chaperons through the pass gate only. We will provide your band with one chaperon band for every seven students plus staff members as indicated in your registration.

**FESTIVAL OFFICE:** Located in the H.O. Dabney Stadium Press Box, PLEASE NO ONE OTHER THAN STAFF MEMBERS IN THE PRESS BOX.

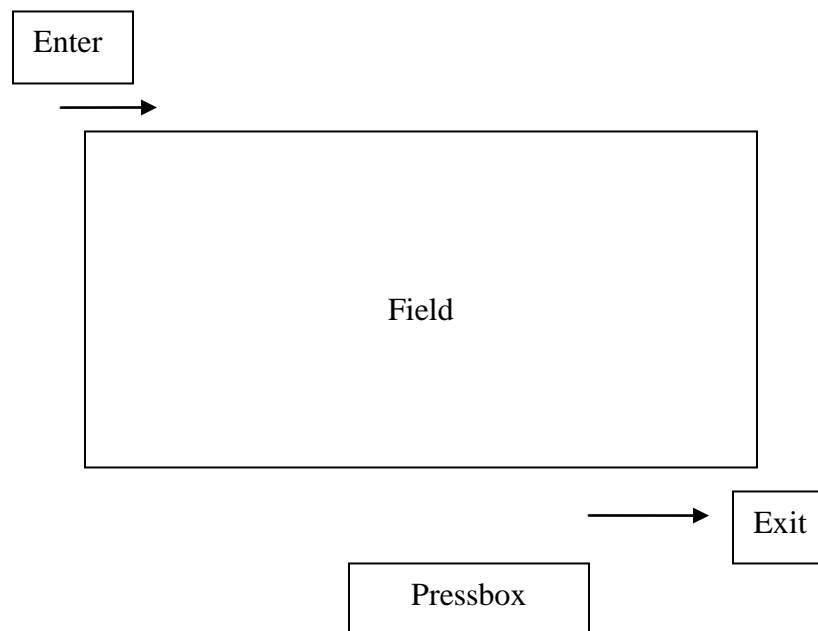
**DIRECTOR CHECK-IN** – One of our adult staff will meet you as you arrive.

**DRESSING ROOMS:** Adjacent to the softball and baseball fields in our new field house.

**WARM UP AREAS:** Your guide will escort your band to the appropriate warm up area. The two warm up areas are designated on the map and should provide adequate space for instrumental and color guard warm up. **PLEASE NOTE: The warm up fields are sufficient distance away from the stadium so as not to cause a disturbance to bands on the performance field provided that all bands, when warming up, face away from the stadium.** Any bands causing a disturbance to bands on the competition field (i.e. playing loudly at the field, loud percussive noises, loud yelling, etc.) will be penalized at the discretion of the Festival Coordinator.

**TRANSPORTATION OF EQUIPMENT:** We will provide transportation of front ensemble equipment and those members of your organization responsible for loading/unloading your equipment. We will not transport your personnel (staff, parents, guard, etc). It is your responsibility alone to make sure your equipment is secured for transport – the ride will be bumpy at times.

**ENTERING THE FIELD:** PLEASE DO NOT approach the competition field on music or drum beat of any type. **The bands will enter the field from the rear left and exit to the front right (when looking at the field from the pressbox).**



**SCHEDULE:** We will follow the printed schedules as closely as possible. Please follow the warm-up schedule and times as well as gate holding times to avoid delays. **Any band missing their scheduled time because of an unavoidable delay will be rescheduled or penalized at the discretion of the Festival Coordinator.**

**RAIN DELAYS:** In the even of rain, the festival will be delayed for the maximum of one hour. After which time the festival will be cancelled or moved indoors at the discretion

of the Festival Coordinator and per FMBC Policies. If necessary or prudent a “Rain Packet” will be provided the day of the festival for contingency purposes.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:** The field manager will tell you when to position your band. During this time, the announcer will introduce your band according to your announcement sheet (see enclosed). Once on the field, you may warm-up, facing backfield, if you wish. The first directed announcement will be “Are the judges ready?” followed by: “Drum Majors, is your band ready?” Then “\_\_\_\_\_ High School Band, you may enter the field for evaluation.” (Note: Timing begins with the first move or sound from the band.)

**PHOTOS:** Photos will be taken after your performance. Information will be available on site for those who wish to purchase photos of their band.

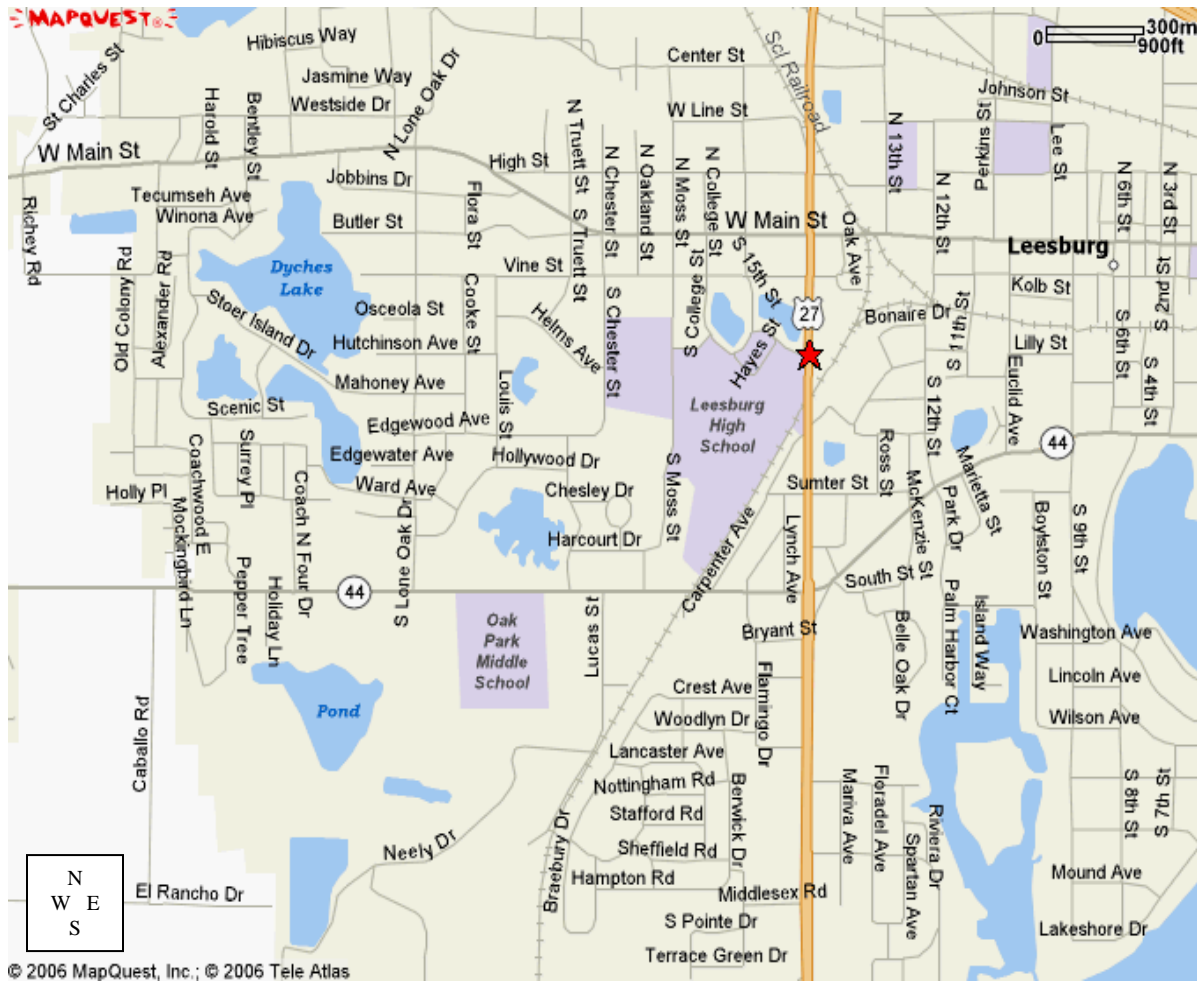
**VIDEO:** Each school will receive a complimentary DVD of your ensemble provided by Nature Coast Productions.

**ADJUDICATOR’S SHEETS:** Tapes and comment sheets are to be picked up at the awards table immediately following the presentation of awards.

**BAND DIRECTORS:** At the end of the awards presentation, please advise your students not to run down the bleachers or jump over the gates when reentering the field area. In addition, please request that your students not “rush the field” when the ratings presentation is over.

*Neither Leesburg High School, nor Lake County School Board will be responsible for any careless acts by someone not using good judgment. The definition of “careless act” and “good judgment” is at the festival coordinator’s discretion.*

## Spectator Parking Directions Into LHS



From the North:

- Take US 27 South (go past LHS) to Sumter Street
- Turn RIGHT on Sumter St (Next to Besco Electric)
- Follow Sumter St into LHS Spectator Parking Lot

From The South:

- Take US 27 North to Sumter St
- Turn LEFT on Sumter St (Next to Besco Electric)
- Follow Sumter St into LHS Spectator Parking Lot

From The West:

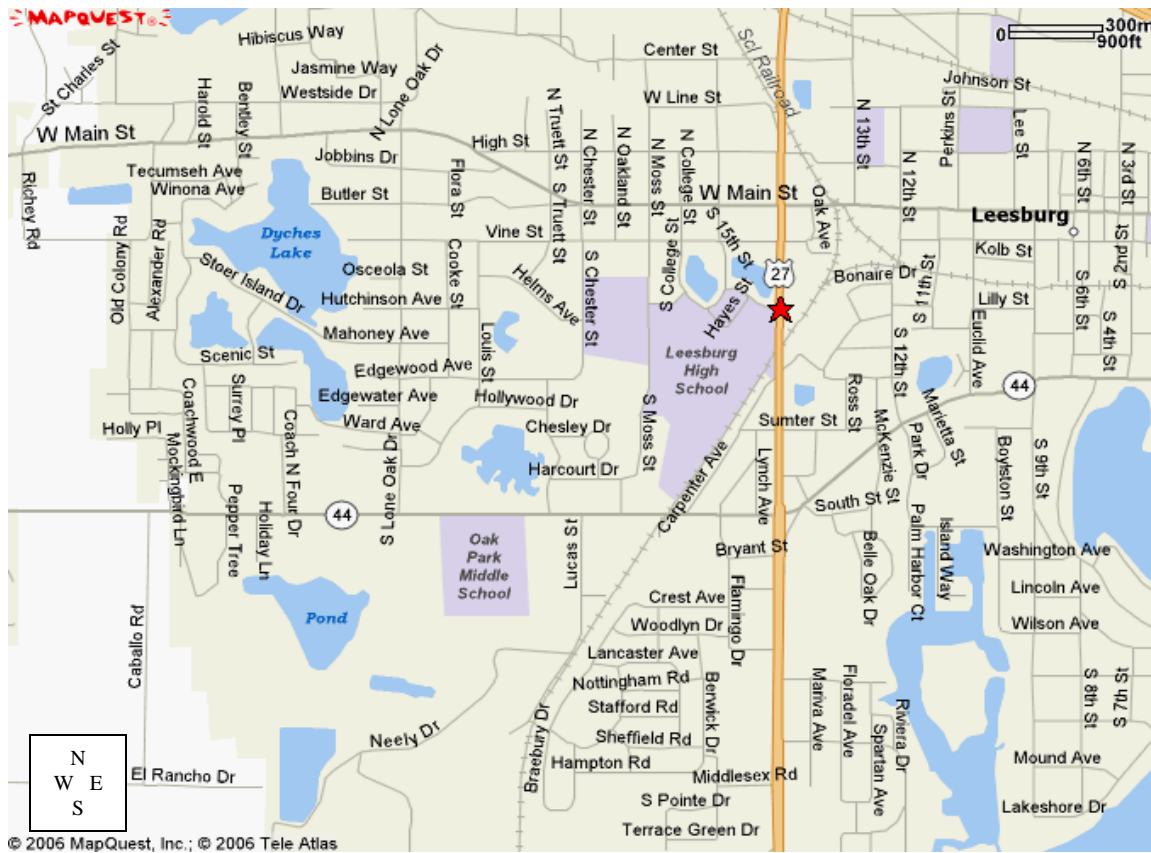
- Take SR 44/ South Street into Leesburg
- Turn LEFT (North) on US 27
- Turn LEFT on Sumter St (Next to Besco Electric)
- Follow Sumter St into LHS Spectator Parking Lot

From The East:

- Take SR 44/ Dixie Ave (Trucker Bypass) into Leesburg
- Turn RIGHT (North) on US 27
- Turn Left on Sumter St (Next to Besco Electric)
- Follow Sumter St into LHS Spectator Parking Lot

**NO VEHICLES WILL BE ALLOWED TO  
TURN IN BY LHS MARQUEE**

## **Bus/ Equipment Truck Parking Directions Into LHS**



From the North:

- Take US 27 South (go past LHS) to “SR44 – South Street”
- Turn RIGHT (West) towards Oak Park Middle School
- Turn RIGHT on Florida Ave – Follow to end of street
- Turn RIGHT on Edgewood Ave
- Turn RIGHT into Lower Parking Lot / Follow Parking Attendants

From The South:

- Take US 27 North to “SR 44 – South Street”
- Turn LEFT (West) towards Oak Park Middle School
- Turn RIGHT on Florida Avenue – Follow to end of street
- Turn RIGHT on Edgewood Ave
- Turn RIGHT into Lower Parking Lot/ Follow Parking Attendants

From The West:

- Take SR 44/ South Street (Trucker Bypass) into Leesburg
- Turn LEFT on Florida Ave – Follow to end of street
- Turn RIGHT on Edgewood Ave
- Turn RIGHT into Lower Parking Lot/ Follow Parking Attendants

From The East:

- Take SR 44/ Dixie Ave (Trucker Bypass) into Leesburg
- Cross US 27
- Turn RIGHT on Florida Avenue – Follow to end of street
- Turn RIGHT on Edgewood Ave
- Turn RIGHT into Lower Parking Lot/ Follow Parking Attendants

**NO BUSES/ EQUIPMENT TRUCKS WILL BE ALLOWED TO TURN IN BY LHS MARQUEE**