

2ND Annual HBCU Battle of the Drumline Dream Events Showcase “The Beat Battle”

November 27, 2009

Dear Band Director:

Dream Events in association with Dream Helpers is in the process of planning the 2nd Annual HBCU Battle of the Drumline Showcase “The Beat Battle” on **Saturday March 6, 2010 at 7:00PM**. Based on your bands reputation, you were selected to participate in the showcase. The event will take place in Augusta, Georgia at the Richmond Academy High School Gymnasium. The showcase will feature local and regional marching bands from SC, NC and GA showcasing their drumline styles and musicality. We are planning to invite several college recruiters that will provide college information to your members and we are anticipating a special presentation from HBCU Marching Band. Last year we had over 2500 people come out to witness this event so you don't want to miss it.

If your band/drumline interested in participating, please complete and return the enclosed registration form **three weeks before the designated event date**. We encourage responses **as soon as possible**, due to time frame for marketing, promotions and planning of the event. A hospitality room will be provided for participating band directors. Each participating band will receive a participation award, 1st through 3rd place will receive a trophy and the 1st place winner will receive a scholarship contribution awarded to one of its members (*please call for details*). A \$30 registration fee is required to hold your place this event.

When you complete and return your registration form, a representative from Dream Helpers will send a confirmation to your school, with pertinent details including expected arrival time, line up and other details pertaining to the showcase. If you need more information, please feel free to contact Whitney Williams (Dream Helpers Representative) at (803) 586-4401 whitney@dreamhelpers, chris@dreamhelpers.com or Kisha Williams (Dream Events Representative) at (803) 917-5843, kishadeloach@hotmail.com.

Sincerely,

Christopher Williams

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President

Dream Helpers

A Dream is all we have....

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Band Name: _____

School Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone#: _____ Fax#: _____

Contact Name: _____

E-mail Address: _____ Number of Band Members: _____

Registration Fee: \$30.00 Make checks payable Dream Helpers

Please attach a list of all participating band members and assistants.

MAIL REGISTRATION FORM TO:

**Dream Helpers
Christopher Williams
P. O. Box 8515
Columbia, SC 29202**

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Rules and Regulations

The following set of rules has been set forth in accordance with Dream Helpers policies in order to ensure a safe and peaceful event:

- Each band is allotted 8 minutes and cannot exceed the maximum of 10 minutes.
- No Gas-burning vehicles, motor-propelled vehicles or flammable objects.
- No liquid on the field.
- No alcoholic beverages or drugs permitted.
- No nudity.
- **No profanity/vulgarity is permitted.** Performances are left to judges to determine; if incivility is acted upon, the band will be disqualified and the committee will take actions. Vulgarity will be penalized 10 points.
- No name-calling, degrading remarks, ridiculing and/or belittling of another band.
- Registered bands are requested to check-in no later than one (2) hours before their scheduled performance time.
- Your band must provide all props needed for your performance.
- Each band will be judged on the following:
 - Sticking 10 Points
 - Uniformity 10 Points
 - Creativity 10 Points
 - Marching 10 Points
 - Overall 30 Points
- Band members, band directors, and bus drivers will be allowed free admission. One chaperone will be admitted free for each group of ten band members.