



2025

KMEA State Marching Band Championship

Class 4A

Bowling Green, KY

Performer:

Calloway County Laker Band

Murray, KY

2025 KMEA SMBC Semifinals & Finals Itinerary

Calloway County Laker Band, Class 4A

FRIDAY 10/24/2025

7:00 a.m. CST	Band Room opens. Luggage neatly places in designated spot upon arrival. Luggage should be <u>clearly</u> labeled with your name on it; Show shirt, long black socks, clean band & guard shoes, All Guard supplies in shoe bag. Shoe bags will go with you on the bus. Bring \$25-50 for meals and extras. <i>Luggage <u>not</u> able to be dropped off Friday morning will need to be dropped off Thursday night!!</i>
7:50 a.m.	Off to Block 1-B! Have a good day of school!
11:30 a.m.	All Marching Band students dismissed to eat first lunch.
Noon	All Marching Band Students report to Band Room! Move equipment to stadium. Rehearsal begins—LAST REHEARSAL OF THE SEASON!!
2:30 p.m.	Load semi-trailer (behind MS, in waves with Suiter)
3:45 p.m.	Load last equipment and uniforms; change into travel clothes Dinner provided by Boosters
5:00 p.m.	Depart for Beaver Dam
7:00 p.m.	Restroom Break @ Beaver Dam
7:30 p.m.	Depart for Bowling Green, KY
8:00 p.m. EST	Arrive @ hotel: Sleep Inn Bowling Green North 554 Corvette Drive Bowling Green, KY 42101 (270) 843-9026
8:30 p.m.	Check-in (Booster chaperones will distribute room keys)
9:30 p.m.	On your floor/Secure all medication, Snacks & Towels prior to Room Check
10:00 p.m.	Room Check (You are in your room for rest of the night!!)
10:30 p.m.	LIGHTS OUT/PHONES ON DnD/SLEEP! —You have a big day tomorrow!!!
10:35 p.m.	Chaperone Meeting in Hotel Lobby

SATURDAY 10/25/2025

6:00 a.m.	GOOD MORNING WAKE UP CALL! Eat Breakfast in Hotel (<i>not optional-everyone needs energy</i>)
7:00 a.m.	Morning visual rehearsal and stretch
7:30 a.m.	Return to room; bathroom and collect gear for the day.
7:55 a.m.	Load Buses
8:00 a.m.	Depart for Daviess County HS
9:15 a.m.	Arrival @ Daviess County HS Offload Equipment & Instrument Cases Pre-stage Props
10:15 a.m.	Snack/Change into Uniform
10:45 a.m.	Stretch/Visual Warm-up
11:45 a.m.	Travel to Warm-up B
12:00 p.m.	Warm-up
12:30 p.m.	Travel to Gate
12:35 p.m.	Gate
12:45 p.m.	BEST PERFORMANCE OF THE YEAR YET!!!! WITH PRIDE!
1:00 p.m.	Return to trailer (ALL PROPS GO WITH US) Load props, case up instruments. Stay in uniform except for hat. Shakos and wraps go back into boxes/totes and will meet us at WKU. Lunch
2:40 p.m.	Travel to stadium for Awards/Announcement of Finalists
3:00 p.m.	Awards

THE REST OF THE DAY IS BASED ON PLACEMENT IN SEMI-FINALS

If we advance to FINALS-we will immediately load buses and travel to WKU. Dinner will be played by ear and enroute. We would have roughly 1.5 hours to do food and travel. Travel time alone is 1 hr, 12 minutes.

Earliest possible FINALS performance time is 8:00 p.m. (6:00 pm arrival time).

Below is based upon us NOT advancing to FINALS.

3:30 p.m.	Leave for Hotel
4:45 p.m.	Group Meeting in Parking Lot

4:35 p.m. Change out of Uniforms. Show shirt/show hoodie required for rest of the day!

6:00 p.m. Dinner in Bowling Green

7:00 p.m. Travel to WKU

7:10 p.m. Arrive @ WKU
Mrs. Rudy, Mr. Calcamuggio, or Mr. Suiter to find KMEA Representative for tickets

7:45 p.m. In Stands to watch Finalist Bands (We should see end of 3A and all 4A/5A)
Bag Policy: SEE ATTACHMENT AT END OF PACKET.
NO ONE GOES ANYWHERE ALONE.
Concessions accept cash and card, but card is preferred.

10:45 p.m. Return to Bus
Depart WKU

11:15 p.m. Arrive @ hotel

11:45 p.m. Room Checks/LIGHTS OUT

SUNDAY 10/26/2025

7:30 a.m. Wake Up Calls, Breakfast-Anyone wanting to organize a morning Devotional: you're welcome to do this in a hotel common area.

9:00 a.m. Breakfast stops at hotel. Gather Luggage and Personal Items.
Senior Circle

10:00 a.m. Load buses. Depart Bowling Green.

10:30 a.m. Restroom Stop @ Beaver Dam
Booster Snack

11:00 a.m. Depart for CCHS

1:00 p.m. Arrive @ CCHS
Unload luggage and equipment

1:30 p.m. FINAL DISMISSAL AND PRIDE CHECK OF 2025 SEASON

Food Money

You should plan on bringing \$25-50 for the weekend. This will be for food and/or souvenirs you may want to purchase. Breakfast is provided at the hotel from 6 a.m. – 9 a.m. each morning. You should not give this money to Mr. C, Mr. Suiter, or Mrs. Rudy. If students wish to purchase T-shirts, patches, snacks, etc. at WKU, they will need additional money. Remember: WKU takes cash, but card will be quicker.

Schedule for Finals			Equipment Pull out	
3:30 PM	Finalist #	1	1A	4:45 PM
3:45 PM	Finalist #	2	1A	5:00 PM
4:00 PM	Finalist #	3	1A	5:15 PM
4:15 PM	Finalist #	4	1A	5:30 PM
4:30 PM	Finalist #	5	1A	5:45 PM
4:45 PM	Finalist #	6	1A	6:00 PM
5:00 PM	Finalist #	7	2A	6:15 PM
5:15 PM	Finalist #	8	2A	6:30 PM
5:30 PM	Finalist #	9	2A	6:45 PM
5:45 PM	Finalist #	10	2A	7:00 PM
6:00 PM	Finalist #	11	2A	7:15 PM
6:15 PM	Finalist #	12	2A	7:30 PM
6:30 PM	Finalist #	13	3A	7:45 PM
6:45 PM	Finalist #	14	3A	8:00 PM
7:00 PM	Finalist #	15	3A	8:15 PM
7:15 PM	Finalist #	16	3A	8:30 PM
7:30 PM	Finalist #	17	3A	8:45 PM
7:45 PM	Finalist #	18	3A	9:00 PM
8:00 PM	Finalist #	19	4A	9:15 PM
8:15 PM	Finalist #	20	4A	9:30 PM
8:30 PM	Finalist #	21	4A	9:45 PM
8:45 PM	Finalist #	22	4A	10:00 PM
9:00 PM	Finalist #	23	4A	10:15 PM
9:15 PM	Finalist #	24	4A	10:30 PM
9:30 PM	Finalist #	25	5A	n/a
9:45 PM	Finalist #	26	5A	n/a
10:00 PM	Finalist #	27	5A	n/a
10:15 PM	Finalist #	28	5A	n/a
10:30 PM	Finalist #	29	5A	n/a
10:45 PM	Finalist #	30	5A	n/a
11:00 PM	Pass in review			
11:30 PM	Awards			

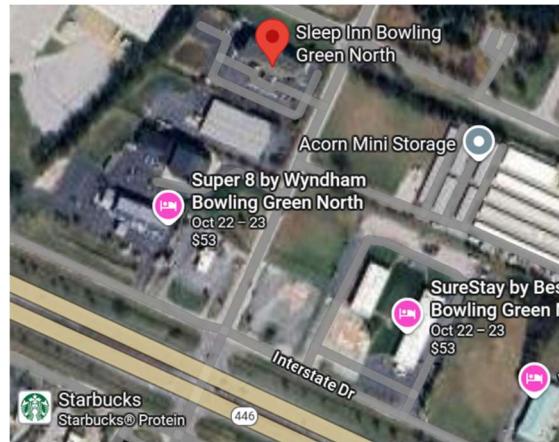
FINALS PERFORMANCE SCHEDULE



OTHER INFORMATION

HOTEL INFORMATION

Sleep Inn Bowling Green North
554 Corvette Drive
Bowling Green, KY 42101
(270) 843-9026



PERFORMANCE LOCATIONS

Daviess County High School
4255 New Hartford Road
Owensboro, KY 42303



Houchens-Smith Stadium (Western KY University)
1605 Ave. of the Champions
Bowling Green, KY 42101



Houchens-Smith Stadium Bag Policy

2025 WKU Football Gameday Guide

(Complete A-Z Policies and Procedures Guide)

Clear Bag Policy

- [Clear Bag Policy Frequently Asked Questions](#)

- Fans entering Houchens-Smith Stadium with a bag will be required to use a clear bag. Backpacks, large purses, and other non-transparent totes will not be allowed to enter the stadium.
- The policy has been in place in the National Football League since 2013 and at many venues across the nation.
- Foldable stadium seats are allowed, but seats with pockets should expect to be searched by security.
- WKU is not changing which items you normally bring into a game, only the type of bag used to bring them in.
- Fans requiring certain items for medical or family necessities may enter through Gate 1 or Gate 6.
- Fans can check bags or strollers between Gates 4 and 5

NOT APPROVED FOR ENTRY

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PURSES LARGER THAN A CLUTCH BAG	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> COMPUTER BAGS
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BRIEFCASES	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CAMERA BAGS
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BACKPACKS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ANY BAG LARGER THAN THE PERMISSIBLE SIZE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FANNY PACKS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> TINTED OR PRINTED PATTERN PLASTIC BAG
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CINCH BAGS	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> LUGGAGE OF ANY KIND	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OVERSIZED TOTE

MEDICAL and DIAPER BAGS (with child) may be brought in to an athletic facility but will be searched at the gate inspection area.

PURSES, BILLFOLDS or CLUTCHES placed inside a clear bag will not be allowed in. Patrons are encouraged to leave all items loose inside the clear bag for more efficient, safe inspections to be performed by security. Guests with any bags found within a clear bag will be asked to return it to their vehicle or make the choice to throw it away prior to entering the facility.





Calloway County High School Rules

District and school discipline codes are in effect **at all times** during the trip.

The possession or use of alcohol or illegal drugs will result in the student being sent or driven home immediately. Parents will be notified to make travel arrangements at their expense. Expulsion from the band and suspension from school will be recommended by the Directors to the Principals and Superintendent.

In order to avoid personal involvement or accusation, any student having knowledge of another student's possession or use of alcohol or drugs should report this immediately to the Directors or their assigned chaperone.

The use/posession of tobacco products or vapes is forbidden at any time during the trip.

If you are caught doing ANYTHING that is not allowed within the confines of the CCHS Code of Conduct you will be dealt with accordingly. If you can't do it at school, it's not allowed on a band trip. Ignorance of the rules (i.e. saying, "I didn't know that." is no excuse).

Laker Band Rules

Be with your band at all times!

We will attend every activity and function as a group. Do not ask for special permission to go somewhere or do something as individuals or small groups.

Luggage & Loading

All luggage will be checked at 7:15 a.m. on Friday, Oct. 24 in the high school band room by chaperones. **LIMIT YOUR LUGGAGE TO ONLY ONE MEDIUM SIZED BAG.** You will not be permitted to bring very large luggage or more than one bag. We have limited space to carry luggage. Line your bag up in a row in the designated location. **Label your luggage!** Be sure your suitcase has a luggage tag with your name on it. Pack appropriately. Don't forget a jacket for being outside because it will be cold at times.

Bus Rules

1. Keep your Driver happy. Be courteous and respectful at all times.
2. Keep noise level at a minimum! Ear phones must be used with audio devices.
Do not drum on the seats; no instruments or drumsticks on the bus.
3. Food and drinks are not permitted on the bus unless we are bringing it on as a group.
Never bring glass bottles or hard candy (peppermints, jolly ranchers, suckers, etc.) on the bus.
4. Do not leave personal items on the bus overnight.
5. When the bus makes a stop:
Do not disembark until a director, chaperone, or bus driver asks you to do so.
Chaperones will disembark first at every stop.
Close windows at overnight stops and upon arrival at CCHS.
6. A pillow or cushion may be taken on the bus; it is for individual use. No blankets or quilts are allowed.
7. Stay seated while the bus is in motion and keep aisle clear. Keep heads above seat level!
8. Obey Chaperone requests, including those concerning your inappropriate public display of affection!
9. Book bags are not allowed at any time on the bus unless they are checked by a director or chaperone.
Book bags cannot block the isle.
10. No flash photography on the bus. It reflects in the mirrors and unnerves the drivers.
11. Trash bags are at the front and back of each bus. Please use them for wrappers and other trash.
12. When the roll is being checked on the bus, silence should be observed by all!

We move faster as a group!!!!

Travel Tips

1. Good manners are “IN” at all times and everywhere you go. No profane, rude, or disrespectful language should be used.
2. Cooperate with Chaperones. They are there to keep you safe and out of trouble!
3. If you are sick, tell your Chaperone immediately.
4. Review your itinerary and be aware of your responsibilities.
5. **Be on time!** If you are late, the entire group is late.
6. Be patient. Moving a large group takes longer than moving an individual.
7. **When you get tired and irritable, pretend you're not!**
8. Do not associate with strangers. Do not carry a large amount of cash.
9. **Load your own equipment. Be responsible for yourself and your actions.**
10. Sleep at night. You will enjoy the competition more if you are properly rested.
11. Don’t spread rumors. If something comes up or you have a question, ask your director or a Chaperone. Remember that everyone in the Laker Band is your teammate. Everyone is to be treated with respect. YOU ARE NOT THE DIRECTORS...Mr. Cal and Mr. Suiter are. Please remember that.

Hotel Instructions

1. Read the instructions in your room concerning escape in case of emergency.
2. Check out the towels prior to room check and inform your chaperone if you need additional towels.
3. At room check, you must be in your room. **No one is to enter or exit your room after this time until wake up call the next morning, except chaperones or directors. Do not leave your room prior to wake up call. There are to be no guests in your room.**
4. Elevators are used to transport all hotel guests from floor to floor. When using them, respect the fact that other people are staying in the hotel.
5. Telephones are available for proper use and must not be used after room check. You cannot make outside calls from your room (not even local calls).
6. Do not take items from your room!
7. Keep curtains pulled or closed to your room.
8. Keep your room locked at all times. Know who has the keys. Each room should receive two keys upon check-in.
9. Food may not be ordered for delivery to the hotel. All food orders will be confiscated by the directors!

10. NO STUDENT IS ALLOWED TO ENTER THE ROOM OF A PERSON OF THE OPPOSITE SEX!

Uniform Items

1. Don’t forget your “**SAVAGE GARDEN**” Band T-Shirt, Tall Black Socks, Clean Black Band Shoes, all Guard Supplies, and your Instrument/Equipment.
2. Do not pack your band or guard shoes in your suitcase. Bring them along with your socks, t-shirt, and other uniform items to put in your shoe bag.
3. Shoe bags will NOT be able to be taken into WKU’s Stadium.
4. If we make Finals: Retreat is in FULL UNIFORM. Colorguard—you may wish to have a long-sleeve layer underneath your uniform. The ONLY thing we accept over the top of uniforms is a Calloway Letterman Jacket. Instrumentalists: Same rules apply, but your uniforms generally have more arm coverage. Base layers are up to you.

Bowling Green forecast for Saturday: High 73/Low 55