

**All State Music Festival Parade  
Vergennes, VT  
Wed., May 7, 2008**

**Directions to Vergennes Union High School**

**From I-89:** Take Exit 13 (I-89). At the end of the exit ramp, turn left onto Route 7 at the traffic light. Follow Route 7 South for approximately 20 miles. Turn right at traffic light (after the light at the junction of 22A) onto Monkton Road. VUHS is on the left. Follow the signs.

**From the South:** Take Route 7 North. Turn left onto Monkton Road. VUHS is on the left. Follow the signs.

**Parade Line up**

5:00 PM at Vergennes Union High School. Bands may begin to arrive at 4:30 PM.

**Bus Drop Off and Parking**

Buses will drop off students at Vergennes Union High School. Follow the signs at the entrance. Drive around to the back of the school. Parade hosts will direct the bus to an unloading area. Please unload the buses quickly to keep the line of traffic moving.

Buses will proceed to the parking area. Exit the Vergennes Union High School driveway and take a right turn onto Monkton Road. Take the next right to Route 7 south and follow to the next exit, which is a right turn to New Haven Road. Follow New Haven Road to pick up points. Look for assigned areas on the left.

**A** – A & D Automotive, **B** – Bub’s Barn, **C** – Car Wash, **D** – Dentist, **E** – Elementary School.

Parade hosts will direct the buses to an assigned parking area at businesses on New Haven Road. Buses will need to display the parking assignment number that is given to the drivers by the parade hosts.

Buses will depart from pick up points by making a right turn onto New Haven Road out to Route 7.

**Parade Hosts**

Each band will be assigned a parade host that will meet you when you arrive at VUHS.

**Parade Start**

Step off is at 6:00 PM

**Bus Parking**

Exit the Vergennes Union High School driveway and turn right onto Monkton Rd. Turn right on to Route 7 South. Take the next right to New Haven Road. Parade hosts will direct the bus(es) to an assigned parking area at businesses on New Haven Road. Buses will need to display the parking assignment number that is given to the drivers by the parade hosts.

**Bathrooms**

Bathrooms will be available at Vergennes Union High School prior to the parade. At the end of the parade, bathrooms will be available at Vergennes Union Elementary School on East Street.

**Instrument Emergencies**

Representatives from the Ellis Music Company will be in residence at Vergennes Union High School prior to the parade for emergency supplies and repairs in the High School Gymnasium area.

**Refreshments**

The VUHS Friends of Music will have refreshments for sale in the High School Gymnasium area.

**First Aid**

A nurse will be on duty in the VUHS nurse's office until 5:45 PM. The Vergennes Area Rescue Squad will be at VUHS and on the parade route.

**Parade Route**

The parade begins at Vergennes Union High School on Monkton Road. Bands will exit left onto Monkton Road. Turn left at Main Street. Continue through Main Street, past the reviewing stand on the right. Turn left onto South Water Street, left onto Roberts Street (narrow), right onto Maple Street, and a quick left onto King Street to New Haven Rd and pick up points. Look for your sign!

**Length of the Parade**

The parade route is 1.2 miles.

**Reviewing Stand**

The All State Parade Reviewing stand is located on the right in the center of Vergennes at the park, near the light. Routines will be performed in this area.

**Best Parade Viewing**

The best area to watch the parade will be on Monkton Road, Main Street, South Water Street and at St. Peter's Church on King Street.

**Visitor Parking**

Please follow the directions of the Vergennes Police and Fire Departments and look for parking signs. Parking on New Haven Road are for parade buses only.

**After the Parade**

Parade participants that will be staying in Vergennes on May 7<sup>th</sup> for the remainder of the festival will need to return to VUHS for housing by 8:15 PM.

**By bus:** Take a right from the parking area on New Haven Rd. Take a left on to Route 7. Take the next right on to Monkton Rd. to Vergennes Union High School.

**On foot:** From New Haven Rd., walk on East St., past Vergennes Union Elementary School. Take the first right on to School St. – follow the curve of the street. Take a right onto Main St. and take another right to Monkton Rd. VUHS is on the right!