

## **All State Music Festival Parade**

**Essex Junction, Vermont**

**Wednesday, May 6, 2009**

### **Directions to Champlain Valley Exposition (Champlain Valley Fair)**

**I-89 from the South:** Take Exit 15 (Winooski exit). Take a right at the light (at the end of the exit) and proceed up Route 15. Travel for 2 & ½ miles past St. Michael's College and Fort Ethan Allen. When you enter the Village of Essex Junction you will see the Champlain Valley Exposition (fairgrounds) on your left side. Enter at Gate B, the gate opposite Champs Car Wash and Kentucky Fried Chicken.

**I-89 from the North:** Take Exit 16 (Colchester exit). At the end of the ramp take a right at the light and travel into Winooski for approximately **one mile**. When you get to the downtown area, you will encounter a roundabout. Follow the signs for Route 15- Essex Junction. Proceed along Route 15 for 2 & ¾ miles past St. Michael's College and Fort Ethan Allen. When you enter the Village of Essex Junction you will see the Champlain Valley Exposition on your left side. Enter at Gate B, the gate opposite Champs Car Wash and Kentucky Fried Chicken.

### **Parade Line-Up**

Bands may begin arriving as early as 4:00 P.M. There is a great deal of practice space where your bands may practice their music and marching (see fairgrounds map). Marshalls will direct you to your division area.

### **Bus Drop Off and Parking**

All buses will enter the CVE through Gate B and proceed as directed by parking personnel to a parking area in back of the Robert Miller Expo Center where they will unload all musicians and instruments. Buses will be conveniently lined up near the Expo Center. Parade hosts will then direct all bands to the Expo Center where they will find changing and bathroom facilities.

### **Parade Hosts**

On hand at the CVE will be many volunteers from Essex High School and the Essex community. They will assist you with directions, all logistical needs during your practice times prior to the start of the parade, and with line-up for the parade.

### **Parade Start**

Step-off is at 6:00 P.M. sharp.

### **Length of Parade**

We anticipate that the parade will take approximately one and a half hours to complete.

### **Bathrooms**

The CVE has two large bathroom facilities. First on the CVE's western side is the Robert Miller Expo Center. This is adjacent to the parked buses. There you will find bathrooms for both men and women. On the CVE's eastern border, nearer to Gate F ( where the parade steps off) is another large bathroom located right next to the CVE Coca Cola Grandstand. There is plenty of room inside the Miller Center for uniform change-ups.

## **Instrument Emergencies**

Representatives from the Ellis Music Company and MusiCraft will be available at the Robert Miller Expo Center prior to the parade for emergency supplies and repairs. See a parade official for directions if necessary.

## **First Aid**

Area rescue services will be present at the fairgrounds and on the parade route for emergency needs.

## **Parade Route**

Bands will step off at Gate F and proceed ¼ mile until reaching Route 2A. Take a right onto Route 2A and march along 2A (Lincoln Street) to the “Five Corners” (the center of Essex Junction) where you will encounter the reviewing stand in front of Lincoln Hall. Take a right up Pearl Street (Route 15) and march until you reach Gate A of the Champlain Valley Exposition. After you enter Gate A, continue up the roadway until you reach the Grandstands where bands can then begin to disperse.

## **Length of Parade**

The parade route is exactly 1.25 miles in length.

## **Reviewing Stand**

The All State Parade reviewing stand is located at the Five Corners, the main intersection of the Village of Essex Junction. The stand will be in front of Lincoln Hall (the Village municipal building) and next to the Brownell Public Library.

## **Best Parade Viewing**

The Five Corners area offers excellent viewing for the parade. There are ample sidewalks areas for curbside viewing.

## **Visitor Parking**

The CVE offers automobile parking for those autos accompanying their musicians to the parade site. There are other parking areas within the village proper. Cars should enter Gate B at the CVE and follow directions from volunteer parkers as to where to park.

## **After the Parade**

When your band finishes its march you are requested to proceed to the CVE Coca Cola Grandstand areas. Once there proceed towards the Robert Miller Expo Center where your band can use their bathroom and table facilities.

## **Restaurants**

Opposite the CVE : McDonalds, Wendy’s, Kentucky Fried Chicken, and Dunkin Donuts. Next to the CVE are local Chinese restaurants and pizza shops.

## **Leaving the CVE**

All buses **must take a right at Gate B** when leaving the Champlain Valley Exposition and proceed along Route 15.

# All State Divisions - 2009

## Essex Junction, Vermont

### Division One

Essex High School ROTC Color Guard  
Essex High School  
A.D. Lawton Intermediate School  
North Country Union High School  
Proctor Jr./Sr. High School

### Division Two

Mill River Union High School  
Springfield High School  
Fair Haven Union High School  
Rutland High School

### Division Three

Whitcomb High School (with  
Rochester School & Bethel Schools)  
Leland & Gray Union High School  
South Royalton School  
Vergennes Union Elementary School

### Division Four

Enosburg Falls Middle/High School  
Lamoille Union Middle & High School  
Middlebury Union High School  
Hazen Union School

### Division Five

Barre Town School  
Vergennes Union Middle School  
Vergennes Union High School  
Stowe Middle & High School

### Division Six

Bellows Free Academy-St. Albans  
Barre City Elementary & Middle School  
Rumney Memorial School  
Harwood Union High School

### Division Seven

Bellows Free Academy - Fairfax  
Christ the King Elementary School  
Colchester Middle School

### Division Eight

Mount Mansfield Union High School  
Winooski Middle/High School  
Rice Memorial High School

### Division Nine

Peoples Academy  
Randolph Union High School  
Colchester High School  
Spaulding High School