Hardin Jefferson HS Big Blue Machine

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Dear Region X Middle School director,

Hardin Jefferson ISD is proud to once again host the Region X Middle School Concert and Sight-reading contest on April 11-13, 2006. We thank you in advance for your confidence in us to host this competition.

Please see attached maps for directions both to HJHS as well as parking information for your buses. We would ask that all bands leave horn cases on buses and load trucks as we do not have storage space for them. Please also remind your students that HJHS will have classes in session and as the restroom facilities are in the main halls, they should remain quiet while in student hallways.

We will once again have a "holding area" in our old bandhall for your students to sit and relax before entering warm up. Monitors will be available to escort your students to the restrooms. Warm up will be in our main bandhall, performance on stage and sightreading will take place in our air conditioned gym. There are also restrooms located in the lobby of the gym.

Concessions will be available from our band booster organization outside in front of the auditorium. If you have a large group, you can email me at cdalton@hjisd.net and I will make certain the boosters know in advance to expect your students.

The following equipment will be available on stage: Bass Drum, Timpani and Chimes (although our set is not in the best of shape.)

If you have any questions, feel free to call or email. I can be reached at 981-6430 X3131 until 9:30am and 981-6420 X3431 until 1:30 pm. My cell phone number is (409) 466-4505. My email address is cdalton@hjisd.net.

Thank you again for allowing us to host your contest. Let us know if we can be of assistance.

Have great rehearsals!

Cary J. Dalton