Saturday, March 11, 2017 Robert Vela High School Gymnasium

A TECA Sanctioned contest hosted by the Robert Vela High School SaberSpinners Winter Guard



#### ROBERT VELA WINTER GUARD INVITATIONAL March 11, 2017

Guard Competition 10:00 AM

#### **Robert Vela Contest Information**

I. Location, Directions & Map

The Robert Vela Winter Guard Invitational will be held at Robert Vela High School which is located at 801 E. Canton Rd., Edinburg, TX 78539.

From San Antonio or points north:

Take IH 35 South until you get to HWY 281. Go south on Highway 281 through Three Rivers, Georgewest, and continue south until you get to Edinburg (HWY 281 will eventually become I-69). Exit Canton Rd. and turn right at the light. Continue straight school will be on the right hand side (after movie theatre). Bus entrance is the first entrance (East Side of School).

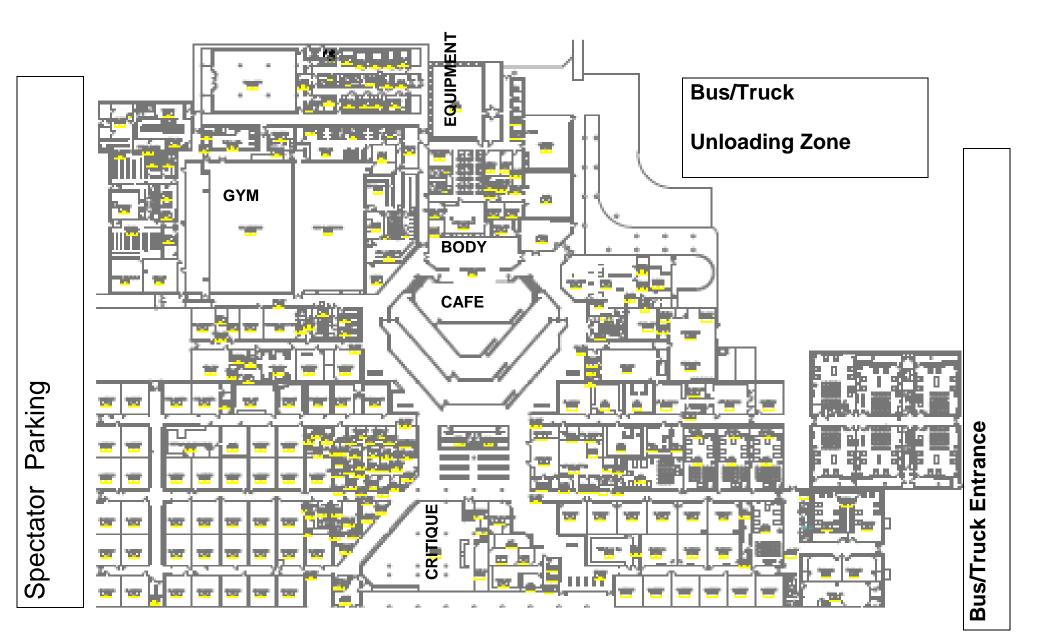
#### From points south or the Rio Grande Valley:

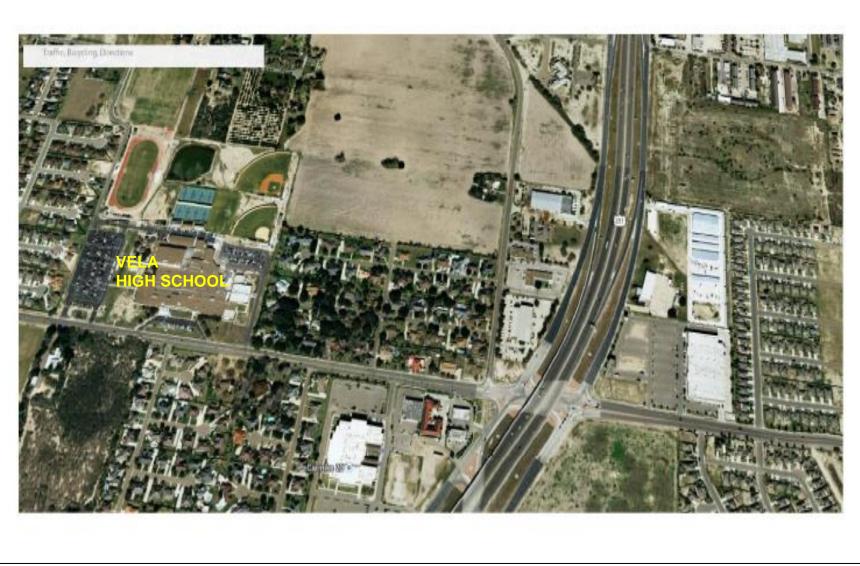
Take HWY 83 until you reach the merge onto I-69 North to Edinburg. Continue north and exit Canton Rd. Turn left at the second light (Wal-Mart will be on your right). Continue straight. School will be on your right hand side (after movie theatre). Bus entrance is the first entrance (East Side of School).

From Laredo:

Take US Hwy 83 South. Continue onto I-2/US-83 E. Take the U.S. 281 N exit toward Edinburg. Exit Canton Rd. . Turn left at the second light (Wal-Mart will be on your right). Continue straight. School will be on your right hand side (after movie theatre). Bus entrance is the first entrance (East Side of School).

Spectator parking will be in the west parking lot of the school. Busses will unload in the East parking lot by the cafe and park in the same parking lot. Check-in will be in the cafeteria. Please do not have your equipment trucks go down the driveway directly in front of the school to unload. They will unload at the same place the busses unload students.





Please make sure that you have contact numbers for your bus drivers as they will be parked in another location.

#### **II.** Contest Flow

### All contest rules and regulations from the 2017 TECA Constitution and By-Laws and the 2017 TECA and WGI Rule Books will be followed.

#### Parking

All spectator parking will be in the West parking lot. All unit busses will park in the same parking lot, however, overflow will be directed to the west parking lot. Equipment trailers will remain parked in the East parking lot where they unload. **Instructors need to make sure that they have a way with communicating with their bus drivers so that they may be called when needed.** All props, performance shoes and equipment must be padded and taped according to the TECA and WGI rule book specifications. Please refer to the 2017 WGI Color Guard and Adjudication Manual and Rule Book.

#### "Check In"

The check in table will be located at the northeast entrance of the cafeteria. Performers must show the Check-in representative that their equipment is correctly padded and taped. Maps of the school and performance times will be available.

## Guard, Crew and Staff Admission Unit Competition

Performing members and crew members will need to check in at the "check in table" prior to warm up. Admission will be given to 2 directors plus 10 student crew members. Anyone else will be charged regular fees.

### Cafeteria Area/Colorguard Area

Tables and areas will be available for each scholastic organization. **Please stay off of the stage.** 

Props/Floors and larger equipment may be stored in the high school hallways against the walls.

There will be 2 concession stands available (one for spectators & one for performers). Outside food or drink will not be allowed inside the school. The cafeteria and hallways are traffic areas only. Students and Staff will not spin, toss or maneuver equipment inside any of the buildings at any time other than in designated areas.

If you need an extra equipment warm-up, you may do so outside.

# (Official Warm-Up Time)

Body Warm-Up, Equipment Warm-Up and Performance Notes

When it is time for your guard to be "READY" according to the schedule, you will be called up in front of the stage via PA system. You will be escorted by a monitor to each warm up area and to the performance gym.

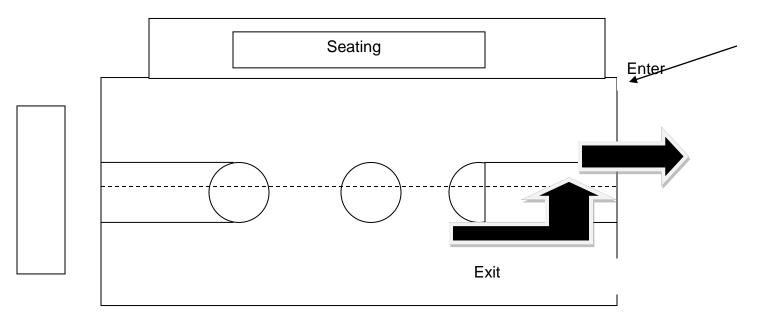
Body warm up will be on the stage behind the sound proof wall. Students may stretch or engage in a body type of run through. No equipment will be utilized during this segment of the official warm up time. After body warm up, your guard will be led to the band hall and be placed in holding until their equipment warm-up time starts. A sound system will be made available to you in both body and equipment warm up areas if you need one.

After your equipment warm-up, your guard will be led to the performance area. You will be placed in holding until your official set up and performance time starts.

# WE WILL BE UTILIZING A HORIZONTAL CENTER LINE FLOW FOR THE PERFORMANCE AREA.

From audience perspective, you will enter front of Side one (left) and exit front of Side one (left). Next guard will be allowed in once you have pulled the floor past the halfway point.

#### An area for floor re-folding will be available outside the performance gym on the practice field next to the tennis courts.



#### POST PERFORMANCE

After you exit the performance area, staff members will need to make sure that all of their equipment is put away, then proceed to the sound table and pick up your show music.

Judges' comments will be delivered electronically through Competition Suite.

There will be one "Captains Only" retreat scheduled after the last colorguard has performed.

As always, there will be a critique session hosted by the adjudicators and TECA for you to attend. Critique will be held in the RVHS Library. Please listen to your comments before entering critique. If you have a problem with any of your judges' comments, you will need to fill out the **WGI Color Guard Instructors Evaluation Form** from your 2017 WGI Color Guard and Adjudication Manual and Rule Book.

### III. Admission (Spectators)

Unit Contest Student \$3.00 Adult \$6.00

## **IV.** Concessions

Concessions will be available. There will be one concession stand available to performers which will be located in the cafeteria. There will be a second concession stand available for spectators which will be located just outside of the gym area. Outside food or drink will not be allowed inside the school.

#### V. Souvenirs and Other Stuff

Souvenir, t-shirts, and jewelry will be available as well, so bring your extra \$\$\$!!!

The Robert Vela Band Boosters will also be hosting a raffle in which they will raffle off a rifle, sabre, and flag. Tickets will be \$3.00 each. Good Luck!!!

### VI. Online help and Information

You may get online information and help via the TECA website at <u>http://www.go-teca.org</u>

If you have any direct questions for me as the show host, my email is m.cortez@ecisd.us. My cell phone is 956-821-6340 (Leave a message if I don't answer, I may be in class.)

#### Thanks and enjoy your day at Robert Vela High School!

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