



# Southwest Iowa Band Jamboree

Sponsored by the  
Clarinda Chamber of Commerce,  
Clarinda Community Schools,  
and the City of Clarinda

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Dear Band Directors:

We are pleased to announce that the **71<sup>st</sup> Annual Southwest Iowa Band Jamboree** will be held on **Saturday, October 3**. This date aligns with the Iowa unified school calendar. The event will feature both parade and field competitions. We will have four classes for the high school parade and field competitions and three classes for the middle school parade competition.

Awards will be presented for the top three places in the parade and the top two places in the field. Certificates will be awarded for outstanding field performances in the following categories: Horn Line, Drum Major, Drum Line, Soloist, and Color Guard. An overall trophy sponsored by the Glenn Miller Birthplace Society will be given to the top band in the day's activities. The overall band will also receive the Richard "Dick" Mowery Memorial traveling trophy.

Our parade will feature 2026 Band Jamboree banners for each band, and the field competition will be judged using I.H.S.M.A. marching band contest ballots and guidelines. The registration fee is \$150.00 per band for the parade competition or \$225.00 per band for parade and field competitions. The online registration process is currently located on the Band Jamboree event page via the Clarinda Chamber of Commerce website - <https://clarinda.org/band-jamboree/>. The registration deadline is **Friday, September 4, 2026**.

Please mark your calendar for October 3. We look forward to your participation and a fantastic event.

Sincerely,



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