

# Congratulations to Ashley Rash, Senior Jaguar Pride Member for your selection for the 2012 U.S. Army All-American Marching Band!



The U.S. Army All-American Bowl is the premier high school football game in the nation. Produced by All American Games, this Bowl features the nation's top high school senior football players and marching musicians. A student selected as one of the 125 All-American Marching Band members will receive an all-expenses-paid trip to San Antonio, TX to march in the halftime performance of the All-American Bowl at the Alamo dome



**For additional information check out the following websites:**

For the Quicktime .mov file (72 MB), click here:

<https://files.me.com/brianprato/qf9f5g.mov>

For a lower resolution .pdf file without video, click here:

<https://files.me.com/brianprato/vyc311>

<http://www.usarmyallamericanbowl.com/marchingband.html>

## **U.S. Army All-American Musicians:**

- **Will have their selection officially announced** at their U.S. Army All-American selection tour stop in the fall with a press conference, pep rally, or assembly at their school.
- **Will have airfare from a United States city, hotel, and food provided** to participate in the weeklong festivities of the U.S. Army All-American Bowl, making this a true recognition of their musical accomplishment.
- **Will rehearse** and perform with the finest high school marching musicians in the nation during Bowl Week.
- **Will work with an [all-star music staff](#)** to prepare their performance material.
- **Will perform at the NBC televised [U.S. Army's All-American Bowl](#)** in San Antonio, TX.

## **Frequently asked questions:**

### **Who is eligible for High School All-American Marching Band consideration?**

American students who exhibit exceptional musicianship, marching achievement, character, and leadership prior to their high school senior year are eligible. Students must be active members of their high school band from the time of the nomination through the final performance at the All-American Bowl.

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## **What does a student receive if selected as High School All-American?**

- National acclaim
- An all-expense paid trip to San Antonio to perform as a member of the U.S. Army All-American Marching Band including airfare, hotel, food, rehearsal gear, performance gear, instrument (borrowed), and more
- A once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to rehearse and perform alongside the finest high school marching musicians in the nation for 4 days
- The chance to work with an all-star marching band staff made up of directors from the most respected marching bands in America, and the U.S. Army Field Band
- A Fall All-American Selection Tour stop to announce their elite accomplishment to media, school, and fellow community members
- An opportunity to perform at half time of the U.S. Army All-American Bowl in San Antonio, TX

## **Who pays for all of these expenses?**

The U.S. Army, DeMoulin, Jupiter Instruments, DCI and All American Games, as well as many other generous sponsors of this event will cover all expenses and provide equipment for the student to participate.

## **Are there any fees involved?**

No. There are no entry or participation fees. Once selected, the student will have all expenses paid to participate, perform, and to be recognized for their exceptional music accomplishments.

## **How is a student selected as a High School All-American for marching band?**

Music teachers nominate current high school juniors before January 31. In early February, an email is sent to the music teacher with instructions for the application and audition process. **It is the responsibility of the music teacher to pass this on to their nominees as we are unable to collect student information.** Audition videos and applications submitted by student musicians are reviewed by an NAFME committee and final All-American selection is determined in July.

## **How can a student be nominated?**

Music teachers submit the names of their exceptional high school junior marching musicians using the U.S. Army All-American Marching Band Nomination form found on the All-American page in the [Band section](#) of the NAFME website. All-American nominations can be submitted through the online nomination form beginning September 15 of each year.

## **What instruments can I be nominated for or apply for?**

Eligible instruments include piccolo, clarinet, alto sax, tenor sax, mellophone, trumpet, trombone, baritone, sousaphone, snare drum, multi-tenor drum, bass drum, mallets, color guard, piano, drum set, guitar, bass guitar, and drum major.

## **Can I be nominated or apply for multiple instruments, or for both an instrument and drum major?**

Yes. A student can be nominated or apply for multiple positions, but when application and audition materials are submitted, the student must submit a separate application and audition videos for each position.

## **Is nomination enough to be selected as an All-American?**

No. In the spring, students must submit an application outlining accomplishments as well as submit specific audition videos for committee review.

## **Do the High School All-American musicians get to perform as a group?**

Yes! The musicians chosen as High School All-Americans will perform in January of their senior year at the U.S. Army All-American Bowl in San Antonio as the U.S. Army All-American Marching Band.

## **What is expected of me if I am selected?**

Selected High School All-Americans will be expected to perform at the U.S. Army All-American Bowl in San Antonio, TX in January. This will include rehearsals the week prior to the Bowl in San Antonio and arriving with all music memorized for the event.