

Band of Spirit sweeps Class A at Bourbon County Colonel Classic

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On Saturday, Sept. 20, the Williamstown Band of Spirit Marching Band traveled to Paris to perform at the 2025 Bourbon County Colonel Classic at Bourbon County High School.

There were three Class A Bands: Paris, Nicholas County and Williamstown

Williamstown finished first with a score of 67.350, their highest score this season. They also were awarded best music, visual and effect for Class A.

The BOS will perform at 1:15 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 27, at the 2025 Estill County Tournament of Champions in Irvine.

Overall, the BOS finished 8th in prelims, out of the 12 competing bands. Nine of the competing bands have been a KMEA state finalist at least once time. Seven of the competing bands are either current or former KMEA State Champions.

The final standings were: Dunbar, Grand Champion Campbell County, Reserve Grand Champion

Estill County, 3rd place Harrison County, 4th place Russell County, 5th place Pulaski County, 6th place South Laurel, 7th place Williamstown, 8th place East Jessamine, 9th place Nicholas County, 10th place Paris, 11th place Bardstown, 12th place

"The changes and additions (musically and visually) that we have been able to implement over the past two weeks, allowed the students to perform at a much higher level. The students gave two strong performances over the course of a long day. We are very proud of them," said assistant band director Jon Popham.

In the finals competition, the Band of Spirit finished 8th overall while finishing as the highest scoring Class A band as they scored a 67.35 once again.

"I don't think that I have ever had a band score the exact same score in both the prelims and finals competition. I like that our score didn't decrease and



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The Band of Spirit took first place in Class A on Sept. 20 at Bourbon County.



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The Williamstown Band of Spirit performs at the Sept. 20 Bourbon County Colonel Classic.

that we are showing consistency. The show is moving in the right direction and we are proud of the kids" said band director Chris Hedges.

"Our parents do a great job of taking great care of the kids throughout the day. They even got an Italian feast for lunch!"

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