

2011 Battle of the Bands Rules and Information

- Date of Competition:** Saturday, January 29, 2011
- Location:** Mount Pisgah United Methodist Church, The Underground, Johns Creek
- Eligibility:** Band make up must be at least 50% high school students from general North Fulton / South Forsyth / East Cobb / West Gwinnett area. This is a BAND competition. Applications from duos or solo acts are not being accepted at this time.
- Sponsor:** Mount Pisgah Student Life
- Entry Fee:** \$25.00 per band - This helps to offset marketing and prize cost. (Checks will be returned to any bands not selected to compete.)
- Application:** The attached application must be submitted along with a representative recording of the band performing and printed lyric sheets of proposed songs to be played. Live performance or rehearsal tapes are preferable, not studio produced demos. Recording quality is not as important as content. The recording does not necessarily have to be of the songs to be played in the competition. Recording can be CD audio, CD MP3, or the link to a Myspace page.
- Application Deadline:** Applications must be postmarked no later than **1/3/2011** to be considered for acceptance.
- Song Selection:** Songs to be performed may be original or cover material. Lyrical content must be approved in advance by event sponsor. Deviation from performance of submitted lyrics can result in disqualification and / or having performance stopped while in progress. Profane or sexually explicit lyrics will not be acceptable.
- Band Selection:** Band selection will be made by the event sponsor based on quantity of applicants, evaluation of submitted recordings, and age makeup of bands. Bands will be notified of inclusion no later than 1/10/11.
- Length of Performance:** The length of performance for each band will be contingent upon the final number of accepted entries. Probable time limit will be 12-15 minutes per band. (2-4 songs) Submit 4 possible selections and their approximate time. The exact time limits will be communicated when bands are notified of their inclusion in the competition so the correct number of songs can be planned.
- Judging:** Performances will be judged and rated based on musicianship, professionalism, the band's ability to play together as a unit, and crowd appeal.
- Prizes:** Prizes will be awarded at the sole discretion of the judges and Mount Pisgah Student Life. First prize will be \$500 cash and runner up prizes will also be awarded.
- Production:** Professional PA, staging, and lighting will be provided. Common pro backline gear will be provided to facilitate minimal changeover time between bands. A single drum kit will be used by all the bands to also minimize changeover time. This kit will be provided and will include a double kick pedal.

Application Instructions:

The application, the band recording (or link to band site), a check for the \$25 entry fee, and printed lyric sheets of proposed competition songs should be sent to:

Mount Pisgah UMC
Attn: Andrew Howard
9820 Nesbit Ferry Rd.
Johns Creek, GA 30022

"Battle Entry" should be written on the front of the envelope.

Entry fee checks should be made payable to Mount Pisgah and should include "Battle Fee + BAND NAME" on the "For" line.

There will be a required preproduction meeting the week before the competition at the venue. This will allow for venue familiarization, program planning, and problem resolution prior to the competition. The date for this meeting will be **1/28/11**. Questions prior to this meeting can be routed to the email address: ahoward@mountpisgahstudentlife.org

Answers to frequently asked questions:

Seating will be General Admission the night of the competition. Admission will be \$5 for anyone not on a band roster. Still and video cameras are welcome.