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Wando Band Sweeps Georgia Regional Competition

Powder Springs, GA – The Wando Marching Band delivered another award winning performance in 2018 Bands of America Regionals at the McEachern High School in Georgia on Saturday, October 27. The Warriors earned first place overall, and swept the overall awards for Outstanding Music Performance, Outstanding Visual Performance, and Outstanding General Effect during the finals portion of the day-long event with their show "By A Thread." This is the Wando Band’s second ever regional title.

Earlier in the day, Wando competed in the preliminaries with 23 other bands from around the Southeast region of the country. The Warriors also won all of the awards in Class 4A: 1st place 4A, Outstanding Visual, Outstanding Music, and Outstanding General Effect. The Wando Marching Band advanced to finals where, in front of a primetime audience with thousands of spectators, they delivered an outstanding performance with a score of 89.45. Harrison High School Band from Kennesaw, Georgia, placed second with a score of 87.40.

“Being able to come back & have so much energy in our finals performance after a frustrating prelim run was amazing,” according to drum major, Anna Johnston. “We wanted to show everyone in the stadium that we are Wando!”

The Warriors now have their sights set on their biggest competition of the year, the Bands of America Grand National Championships in Indianapolis on November 8-10.

You can catch the Warriors show at their community performance at the District 2 Stadium on November 3 at 7:00p.m. The performance is free, but donations will
be accepted. The winner of the 2018 Chevy Cruze from Sterling Chevrolet will also be announced, and raffle tickets may be purchased at the community event.

The Bands of Wando are under the direction of Lambert, Lanie Radecke, and Jeff Handel. Michael Gray is the Program Coordinator for the Wando Marching Band. The Bands of Wando thank the support of its community, the Charleston County School District, the Town of Mount Pleasant, its Harmony Sponsors, the Bands of Wando Foundation, parents, and alumni. For more information visit WandoBands.org.

For more information on how you can support the Wando Band, please visit www.crowdrise.com/wandoband.

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