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HERSHEYPARK STADIUM UPDATE:

As of Wednesday, October 26, 2016 HersheyPark Stadium has informed us of some facility security updates. Of course, their timing is absolutely incredible.

I have been asked to inform all TOB ACC Band Directors of the following information:

BAND GATE: This is to get on the field, perform and then exit the field. There is NO audience seating access from the field level. Band staff and band crews will enter the field, wait on track and then exit. I am currently working on an access plan for the remote mixer board tech person.

SPECTATOR GATE: This gives everyone access to the audience seating and restrooms. Entering this gate is your only option to get to audience seating.

SCANNERS/DETECTORS: There will scanners/detectors at the Spectator Entrance. This will drastically slow down entrance to the stadium. Yes, bags will be searched as they have been in the past. Small cameras are permitted. Video recording equipment is not permitted. Outside food and beverages are not permitted.

BAND RESTROOM GATE: Here is another HP security concern. We open this side gate, allowing your students/chaperones with wristbands to enter to use the facilities. We ask that all using these restrooms do just that and then depart the stadium. At your request, we have been able to offer this additional facility area, but students and adults continue to move barriers, jump over barriers and ignore directions from both NJA volunteers and HP Staff. HP security prefers to close this area and send all members to the Spectator Gate. Please help us keep this open for your convenience.

HersheyPark Stadium is updating and moving forward with safety and security measures, just as major stadiums do each year. We do our best to keep you informed – and to work to make this the best event to close your TOB season. We thank you for your cooperation!

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