



# NMC Charter Day Celebration

**Northern Marianas College**

**Friday, May 16, 2014 4:00-10:00 PM**

**NMC South Field, As Terlaje**

## **BATTLE OF THE BANDS RULES AND REGULATIONS**

Contestants must read and accept the following rules and regulations before completing the registration form.

If a member of the band is below 18 years of age, a parent or legal guardian must be present with the contestant at the audition and competition.

### **REGISTRATION**

- The band must submit a registration form by 5:00pm on May 12, 2014 to the NMC Student Center (Bldg. J).
- Auditions will be scheduled on Monday, May 12 from 4-6pm at the NMC Student Center (Bldg. J).
- The band must be present at least twenty (20) minutes before competition time. Failure to check-in on time will result in a disqualification.
- The order of play will be determined by a draw.

### **MUSIC**

- The band will play one (1) twenty-minute set. If the band exceeds twenty minutes, the sound will be faded out and points will be deducted.
- The band is allotted eight (8) minutes to set up. The band will have time reduced from the twenty-minute set if they use more than allotted set-up time.
- A cover version of a song or an original song is permitted.
- Contestants are not permitted to use pre-recorded sound material. All bands must play live.
- Cursing is not permitted. The use of foul language will result in a disqualification.

### **JUDGING**

- The organizers will appoint least three judges, preferably respected figures from the music business to act as judges.
- The panel of judges will score contestants on five categories using a point system of 1 to 5, with 5 being the best.
- **JUDGING CRITERIA:**
  1. Musical Ability – vocal and instrumental ability, expertise, skill level
  2. Stage Presence – poise, confidence, energy level and feel
  3. Accuracy – lyrical accuracy, timing, tempo
  4. Overall Performance – vocal ability, stage presence, and time limit



**5. Audience Participation and Applause – audience applause level**

- Judges' decisions are final.

**EQUIPMENT AND ONSTAGE RULES**

- Contestants must provide all personal instruments (i.e. guitar, keyboard, drums).
- All contestants must follow instructions given by the organizers and stage manager.

**SOUND-CHECK**

Contestants may come before 3:00pm on Charter Day to do sound check.

THE WINNING BAND WILL RECEIVE A PRIZE OF \$200