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Fontana Unified's Kaiser Catamount Pride Band and Color Guard Capture 2nd Place at L.A. County Fair

FONTANA, CA – Henry J. Kaiser High School's Catamount Pride Band and Color Guard captured second place in its category at the L.A. County Fair on Sept. 20, returning home with a \$5,000 prize for its excellence.

The L.A. County Fair High School Marching Band Competition invites local high school marching bands to compete during the fair's daily parades in hopes of winning a cash prize. Bands compete in three categories: Open Class, for bands of all sizes; Class A, for bands of 65 or more; and Class B, for bands of 64 or less.

"We are so proud of our Kaiser band for putting on another outstanding performance," Kaiser High Principal Terry Abernathy said. "Their talent and dedication to their art speaks to the level of achievement that every Kaiser student aspires to, and we are proud to have them represent our school, District and city."

Kaiser's second-place finish in Open Class continues a tradition of success for the Catamount Pride Band and Color Guard, which represented Fontana Unified on a world stage as the premier band in the 2019 Tournament of Roses.

Kaiser's Catamount Pride Band and Color Guard is part of Fontana Unified's robust visual and performing arts program, offering students the opportunity to explore their creative interests through arts electives, career tech pathways and college-prep courses.

"Kaiser High School's Catamount Pride Band and Color Guard continues to represent the standard of excellence we strive for in Fontana Unified, and we are proud of their accomplishments," FUSD Superintendent Randal S. Bassett said. "We are proud to offer a comprehensive visual and performing arts program as part of a well-rounded education in Fontana Unified, inspiring students to embrace their inner artist."