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**SHS BLUE KNIGHTS MARCHING BAND, “BEST IN
SHOW” AT WEEKEND COMPETITION**

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Stratford --- The Southington Blue Knights Marching Band picked up a “Best In Show” trophy, and earned First Place, Best Marching, Best Music, and Best Percussion awards in their division, at their final regular season USSBA (United States Scholastic Band Association) competition, held at Bunnell High School in Stratford, CT, Saturday, November 6.

This year’s field show, entitled “Hieroglyphics,” is a unique repertoire composed by Key Poulan and consists of three movements – “Valley of the Kings”, “The Golden Horus” and “The Royal Cartouches.” The band includes 64 musicians, 27 Color Guard, and one Drum Major, and is directed by Jeff Shaw and Sara Sabatino. The show’s visuals are directed by Color Guard instructors Laura Shaw and Jennifer Snow, along with drill instructors Ken Bell, Kevin Cormack and Jeff Weir. Steve St. Mary and Colin Mason are the group’s percussion instructors

Jeff Shaw was extremely satisfied with his students’ performance. “With last week’s state championship win, and by earning our highest regular season score ever at Bunnell, we have achieved our goal of being the top band in the state. Our kids worked hard to get to this level, and they are now ready for finals at Giants Stadium.” said Mr. Shaw.

After competing in the USSBA All-States Championships at Giants Stadium in East Rutherford, NJ, November 13, they will conclude their fall season by performing the half-time shows at Southington High School’s remaining home football games (Thanksgiving Day and play-offs.)

For more information, visit the Blue Knights Marching Band Website at www.shsbands.com, or contact the Southington High School music department at (860) 628-3229 ext. 250.

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