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### Sound Level Variance Application Legislative Code Chapter 293. - Noise Regulations

Application and \$175 fee payment should be submitted a minimum of sixty (60) days prior to the scheduled event start date. A public notification period is required prior to scheduling the application's Public Hearing before the Saint Paul City Council. Applications received fewer than sixty (60) days prior to the event may not satisfy the ordinance's processing timelines for placement on the Council's agenda.

1. Organization/person seeking variance: Macalester College
2. Event Name: Macalester College Commencement
3. Address and physical description of noise source location (Event, Worksite):  
Macalester Stadium, 179 Snelling Ave. S.
4. Responsible person: Danna Seppanen Title: Director, High Winds Fund
5. Telephone: 651-696-6305 E-Mail: highwinds@macalester.edu
6. Date(s) variance requested: May 10, 11
7. Noise source - Time(s) of operation: May 11 10:30 - 1:30 pm  
- Time(s) of pre-event sound check: May 10, 11 am - 1 pm
8. Sound level requested (dBA/Decibels): 100 db @ 50 ft from source
9. Mailing address w/zip code: 1600 Grand Avenue, St. Paul, MN 55105
10. Briefly describe the noise source and equipment involved: see attached description

11. Describe the steps that will be taken to minimize the noise levels: speakers will be pointed at audience and sound checks will min. level needed
12. State reason for seeking variance (example - music, announcements, construction, etc.): announcements and music

13. A site diagram & map must be attached showing location of noise source(s), streets, stages, tents, etc. (If there will be amplified sound, indicate location and direction that all speakers will be facing).

Multiple locations may require more than one application.

14. Submit completed application, site diagram/map, and \$175.00 fee to:

CITY OF SAINT PAUL  
DEPARTMENT OF SAFETY AND INSPECTIONS  
375 JACKSON STREET, SUITE 220  
SAINT PAUL, MN 55101-1806

Signature of responsible person: Danna Seppa Date: 3/14/24

AA-ADA-EEO Employer



## **Commencement Noise Variance Request Information**

**Location** - Macalester Stadium

**Friday, May 10** - sound check (10 - 20 minute increments between 11am-1pm to tune the system)

**Saturday, May 11** - Commencement Ceremony for 2024 - 10:30am - 1:30pm

### **Equipment**

(2) arrays hung from trussing over stage (6) Speakers per hang

(2) speaker stacks on track facing the stadium seating (6) Speakers per stack

Attached PDF shows graphic of Decibel level (see below)

### **Sound types**

Sound check - music/spoken word to establish levels

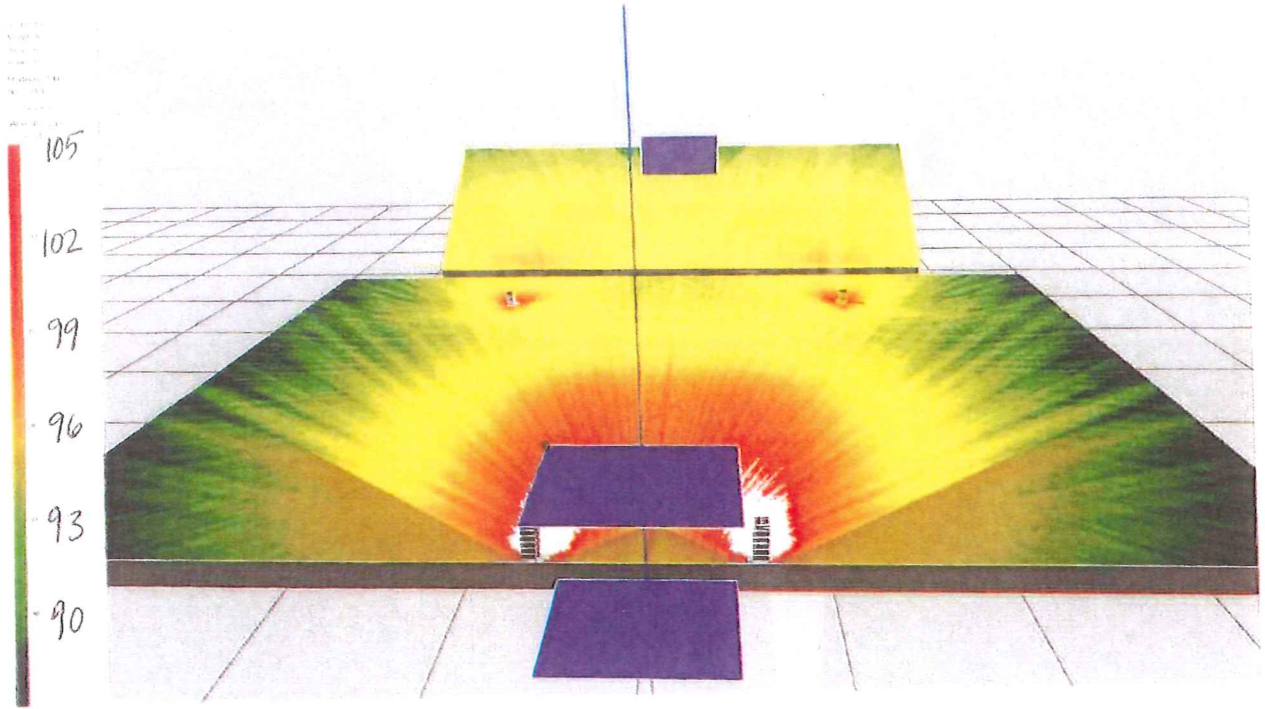
Ceremonies/Celebrations -

- Remarks from stage
- Choir performance - 3 songs through event
- Reading of names
- African Drumming Ensemble (not amplified) - 5 minute performance
- Bagpipes (not amplified) - beginning and end of event
- Applause (not amplified)









Air absorp 24°C / 16%







# DSI RECEIPT

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Date: 03/14/2024

Received From: MACALESTER COLLEGE dba: MACALESTER COLLEGE COMMENCENT  
1600 GRAND AVE ST PAUL MN 55105

**Description:**

Invoice Details	Invoice Amount	Amount Paid
1159155		
Noise Variance	\$178.00	\$178.00
<b>TOTAL AMOUNT PAID:</b>		<b>\$178.00</b>

**Paid By:**

Payment Type	Check #	Received Date	Amount
Check	2304	03/14/2024	\$178.00

