

To Whom It May Concern:

The R. L. Osborne Band Boosters, Inc. was founded to support the band programs of Osborne High School in Cobb County Georgia. The purpose of our organization is to enable financial support for the operational costs of the Osborne High School Band programs.

Osborne High School is the oldest high school in Cobb County but is not often recognized as having one of the most successful band programs in Cobb County Georgia. This past May, Osborne High School graduated **12 seniors** who were recognized for their music excellence with **\$1.6 million in scholarship money** placing our own Osborne High School among the top band programs in Cobb County and Metro Atlanta.

This year, the Osborne Boosters are working hard to build on past successes and we are in need of financial support to ensure the future of this strong program for the Osborne students and local community. The band booster organization is working hard to raise funds through traditional activities such as car washes and fundraisers but our financial need is great this year. Our goal is to ensure our students have every opportunity to demonstrate what they've learned and reward them for their hard work with opportunities to excel through performance and competition. We are looking for opportunities to work with partners in our community who have an interest in ensuring that our students continue to have access to these important excellence building opportunities. Any form and level of support is appreciated. Our most immediate financial needs are:

1. Band equipment truck – we are seeking donations in the amount of \$5000 toward the purchase of a band truck to replace our existing truck which is over 25 years old.
2. 2016 McDonald's Thanksgiving Parade, Chicago IL – the Osborne Red Sea of Sound has been invited to participate in this prestigious parade and travel costs will total \$65,000.
3. Marching Band uniforms – the band uniforms are in need of repair and our current inventory will not support fielding a full band for competitions or parades. The total cost will run apx \$50,000, we are seeking a donation of \$10,000 as a down payment for financing.
4. Band operational costs – we are seeking miscellaneous donations of food, water and supplies to support the band's operational costs.

If you would like to make a contribution to our students, please fill out the attached sponsor form and return it to Osborne High School, Band Booster Office, along with your donation. Any monetary donations should be made out to R.L. Osborne Band Boosters, Inc. School Band Programs (Tax Id can be made available upon request).

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