

F.L. SCHLAGLE BAND NEEDS YOUR HELP FOR WASHINGTON D.C. TRIP

We are the Non-For-Profit Support Team (parents) of the F.L. Schlagle band and we desperately need your help. As you may know, our band is nationally known for being one of the best High School Bands in the mid-west. Our students overcome many obstacles facing inner city youth and we pride ourselves on the band's ability to positively impact lives. Many of our students graduate from Schlagle High School and attend institutions of higher learning including historical black colleges. Presently, we have students attending: Alabama State, Central State of Ohio, Florida A&M University, Grambling State, Jackson State University, Kansas State University, Kansas City Kansas Community College, Langston University, Lincoln University, Southern University and University of Texas.

As you can see we strongly promote youth through higher education, which has become quite costly. One way to defray these expenses is through scholarships awarded for involvement with musical programs. In addition, students involved with the band often obtain the discipline needed to earn academic achievements, opening doors for additional scholarship opportunities.

On behalf of the F.L. Schlagle band, we are reaching out to the community to ask for your assistance. Our band has been honored by being selected to represent the state of KANSAS by participating in the 2010 NATIONAL INDEPENDENCE DAY PARADE sponsored by The National Park Service and held in Washington D.C on July 1st-6th, 2010.

This is a tremendous undertaking...

Our school district is suffering with economic challenges caused by a shrinking budget. We have done our best to repair used instruments in the continuous struggle to provide a quality education despite these financial woes. To offset expenses, we have participated in many fund raising activities, however with such a large band (we have seventy-eight (78) band members) and even larger operating expenses needed to move a band of this magnitude around, we have been unsuccessful in raising enough money to fund this important trip. We are in desperate need of new band instruments and equipment so that we may be proud representatives of the State of Kansas at the parade.

Please consider our request and help this deserving band take a life changing trip. A one time gift or donation for new equipment or traveling expenses would be appreciated beyond words. If you would like to sponsor a student the cost for travel and hotel arrangements is \$800.00. If you would like to purchase an instrument please contact us for more details at one of the numbers below. However, no gift is too small and we ask that each person strive to give what they can as it will certainly take all of the community working together to succeed.

Remember, your gift will inspire the hearts and fulfill the dreams of so many.

Thank You,

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