



Virtual Marchathon 2018

759 Club (dba CHS Band Boosters)
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Dear Family and Friends,

I am very excited to be participating in the marching band at Centaurus High School. Music is my passion, and I am asking for your help in supporting my high school marching band. We are expecting about 135 students (up from 118 last year!) and estimated costs near \$160,000 for our band programs (costs include transportation, music, instructors, instruments, uniforms, and much more). Our school district gives us less than 2% of that total. So, that leaves over \$1,000 per band student on average to cover all expenses for Marching Band, Jazz Band, Concert Band, Indoor Percussion and Winter Guard (we do a lot with that \$160,000!). This year, we are very excited to have year-round sectional coaches to help us become even better musicians and performers.

Did you know that uniform cost over \$400 from helmet to shoes? Each family does its part by paying fees, which cover about 40% of our costs. Our community closes the gap through fundraising. One of our biggest fundraisers is "Marchathon". On August 25th, the marching band will put on our uniforms and march door-to-door throughout Lafayette, asking our community for donations.

But we need your help, too! To reach out-of-community friends and family, each year we do a "Virtual Marchathon." Please consider supporting our band through this campaign.

You can write a check payable to the "CHS Band Boosters" and mail it to the address above, or donate online using our secure PayPal account, via www.centaurusband.org (use the yellow button at the top of the page). CHS Band Boosters is a registered nonprofit, and your donation may be tax-deductible. If your employer has a matching program, you could double the value of your gift. Please be sure to put my name on either the check memo line or in the Student Name box in PayPal so that the band knows I did my part for the General Fund.

I am very proud of my marching band. In October 2016, we won Colorado's Division 3A Marching Band State Championship for the 5th consecutive year! Last year we moved up to Division 4A and placed 8th at State on our very first try. Our band was also invited to perform in the holiday Denver Parade of Lights, and we won all judged categories. In addition to those accolades, we had 11 students make the All State Concert Band and 4 students make the All State Band (both school records). Our band is growing and developing in many exciting ways. I appreciate any financial help you can provide, and no donation is too small.

With gratitude,

CHS Marching Band Member

Thank you for your support of the Centaurus High School Marching Band! Please select an option below so that our musicians may thank you.

- May we share your name with the student so they may thank you?
- I wish to remain anonymous.

(Please tear off and enclose with your check or make a note when you make a digital payment if we may share your name with the student. Thank-you!)