

# JUPITER HIGH SCHOOL BAND

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Dear \_\_\_\_\_,

I have exciting news! I am a proud member of the Spirit of Jupiter Marching Band! This group has won the Marching Band State Championships three times in the last four years. This year, we are going to three NATIONAL competitions in the southeastern United States.

Being a member of the Spirit of Jupiter requires a great deal of hard work and dedication. We practice 12 hours a day for 15 days over the summer. Once school starts, we have four-hour rehearsals twice a week and 12-hour rehearsals most Saturdays. On other Saturdays, we compete all over South Florida to improve our performance placement in November's state competition in Tampa. In total, this is over 450 hours of time!

Our instructors, drill writers and music arrangers are some of the best in the country. I'm very fortunate to have the opportunity for this type of music education.

The operating costs for marching band are NOT covered by our school district. All students must pay what is called a "fair share" to participate in the Spirit of Jupiter, and that fee covers our bus travel to competitions, hotels, music, instrument repairs, adjunct instructors, guest directors, props, uniforms, copy paper, and more.

***Would you consider "adopting" me to help me pay my fair share by supporting me financially?*** Your donation is tax-deductible, and 100% of it would go towards my band fees.

If you can help, help please follow the instructions on the attached form to mail your donation. Your donation will play a vital role in helping me continue my high school music education.

These are just a few facts about what band does for students:

- Students who study music tend to have larger vocabularies and more advanced reading skills than their peers who do not participate in music lessons.
- Students in band programs are consistently in the top 20% of their graduating class
- Music programs are constantly in danger of being cut from shrinking school budgets even though they're proven to improve academics.
- Students who study a musical instrument are more likely to excel in all of their studies, work better in teams, have enhanced critical thinking skills, stay in school, and pursue further education.

I can't thank you enough for your help! I hope that you can come see us at one of our competitions – you won't be disappointed!

Sincerely,

P.S. For more information about Jupiter High School Band program visit [www.JupiterBands.com](http://www.JupiterBands.com). Check us out on YouTube by visiting the following links:

"The Celestial Project" - 2017 Spirit Send-Off at Jupiter HS: <https://youtu.be/O348gFz0BcI>

"Red" - 2016 Spirit Send-Off at Jupiter HS: <https://youtu.be/INmCweRtHQI>

"Harlequin" - 2015 Finals at Tropicana Field: [https://youtu.be/5hq\\_yyaLBXw](https://youtu.be/5hq_yyaLBXw)

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