



DESERT VISTA HIGH SCHOOL

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"Home of the Thunder"

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The Desert Vista HS Band Program is truly honored to be selected for a 'Solo Spotlight Performance' in Carnegie Hall (New York, NY). The Wind Ensemble and Advanced Percussion have been invited to perform May 28, 2018 on this prestigious stage. This invitation is only offered to the elite band programs across the United States based on a CD audition. It is a true honor to be considered in the company of the groups that have played on that stage.

As we embark on this journey, allow me to recognize the amazing students that make up the band program at Desert Vista HS and whose passion for musical excellence helped earn us this extraordinary opportunity and distinction. They are brilliant individuals and I am honored to be their teacher and conductor. They now begin to prepare for the performance of a lifetime.

Over the course of this school year we have a tremendous amount of rehearsal and planning to do. The students will put in countless hours of individual practice, ensemble rehearsal, and preparation towards this prestigious performance. **I am asking for your financial support of these outstanding students.** This trip is not funded by state or district funds due to its extra-curricular nature. The students must raise the money on their own. With your generosity, we will be able to cover such expenses as airfare, lodging, land transportation, facility use, festival fees, and instrument cartage totaling around \$2,300 per student.

You may donate in two ways: you may make a donation (deductible), payable to the 'DV Band Boosters', specifically for a certain member, or you may make an AZ Tax Credit donation (in school bookstore, payable to 'DVHS') or [TUHSD online](#), in the name of the specific band member, using the Tax Credit Form. Remember, the Tax Credit is a 100% refund/credit on your annual taxes. You may donate up to \$400 each year (2016 (prior to April 15) & 2017).

Thank you to all those who are willing to help these students make this dream a reality!

Josh Thye

Director of Bands

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