



DESERT VISTA HIGH SCHOOL

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Christine Barela, Principal

"Home of the Thunder"

Dear DV Marching Band Supporter,

Since its inception in 1996, Desert Vista Thunder Marching Band has been an ensemble known for high standards of musical and visual excellence; as well as a group of young men and women of character and discipline. This varsity activity travels and competes all around the southwest region. They have earned the distinction of being 7-time Arizona State Marching Champions.

The Desert Vista Marching Band is proud to represent our school, our district, our local community, and this great state of Arizona.

Please allow me to describe the amazing students that make up the band program at Desert Vista HS. They are dedicated individuals and I am honored to be their teacher and director. The students put in countless hours of individual practice, ensemble rehearsal and preparation towards this process. They will remember these experiences for a lifetime. This schedule, however, does not come without a price.

I am asking for your financial support of these fine students. This activity 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 music scores, drill patterns, a week-long camp, staffing, lodging, land transportation, an out-of-state southwest regional championship, facility use, festival entry fees, and instrument repair totally around \$1,400 per student.

You may donate in two ways: you may make a donation (tax 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', in the name of the band member using the Tax Credit Form. *Remember, the Tax Credit is a 100% refund/credit on your annual taxes. A married couple may donate up to \$400 each year (Single – up to \$200)*

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

Josh Thye

Director of Bands

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[For deductible donation – "Desert Vista Band Boosters" are a 501(c)3 organization (Tax ID# 20-0685773) Contributions to this organization are deductible under section 170 of the Code. DVBB is also qualified to receive tax deductible bequests, devise, transfers, or gifts under section 2055, 2016, of 2522 of the code.]

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