



## DESERT VISTA HIGH SCHOOL

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*"Home of the Thunder"*

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The Desert Vista Thunder Marching Band is in its 20<sup>th</sup> year of existence. Since its inception, it 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 are the current 4-time Arizona State Marching Champions. Unfortunately, this schedule does not come without a price.

Please allow me to recognize the amazing students that make up the band program at Desert Vista HS. They are brilliant individuals and I am honored to be their teacher and director. They put hundreds of hours of practice into preparation for these performances that they will remember for a lifetime.

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

The students will put in countless hours of individual practice, ensemble rehearsal, and preparation towards this process. 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/drill, staffing, lodging, land transportation, facility use, festival entry fees, and instrument repair totaling around \$1,100 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', 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. Single taxpayers may donate up to \$200, households may donate up to \$400 each year.*

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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