



Fostoria Bands

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Since 1919, The Fostoria High School band has provided opportunities for students through music education while entertaining the area at sporting events, parades, and through many other exciting performances. The most visible of our ensembles, the Fostoria High School Marching Band, has a long and proud history of excellence. Since 2014, a big part of our history has been traveling to represent Fostoria on a national level at events such as the AutoZone Liberty Bowl, the Chicago Thanksgiving Day Parade, and the Smoky Mountain Music Festival.

We are proud to announce that we have been asked to make a return trip to Memphis, Tennessee to once again perform at the Autozone Liberty Bowl. The band will take in the game featuring teams from the SEC and the Big XII conferences, then combine with high school bands from across the country to perform with a major recording artist at halftime (it was country music stars Big & Rich when we went in 2014)! More than just a game, this trip includes a marching show competition with other high schools, a parade down historic Beale Street, and a tour of the sights and sounds of Memphis, one of America's historical cities. This once-in-a-lifetime trip will provide our students with the opportunity to travel outside of northwest Ohio, which is an opportunity that many of these young people have never had. That alone is worthy of support, but when you add in the historical significance of marching in a parade down Beale Street, participating in a major televised event, and interacting with other students from across the USA, it is easy to see why this trip is so important to these students.

It is my goal to ensure that no student stays home due to money. As part of that effort, we are asking corporate and community members to contribute to our Liberty Bowl trip. We have several levels of giving, as indicated on the enclosed paper. One of these levels includes a private performance by the Marching Band! We would love to add POET Biorefining to our list of trip contributors. Any donation is greatly appreciated. In addition to the recognition your group will receive (outlined in the brochure), we will be once again celebrating the end of our campaign with a full page ad in the local paper which will feature all of our contributors listed by name. The directors and members of the band are also available for photo-ops that will be made available to the press.

If you have any questions regarding our fundraising efforts, please feel free to contact me. Thank you for all of your efforts to support our students.

Sincerely,

Steve Kauffman
Director of Bands
Fostoria City Schools



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