



OOLTEWAH HIGH SCHOOL

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Dear _____,

I am a proud member of the Ooltewah High School Band & Color Guard. The members of the band work extremely hard and strive to bring positive recognition to our school and community. As a young adult, I will further my growth and education through my participation in the band and the opportunities it provides. The Ooltewah High School Band is committed to creating a positive environment for the arts, expanding the role of music education, and heightening the public's appreciation of the value of music.

The 2017-2018 school year was exciting for our band program. During the last school year, our band represented the Ooltewah Community, Chattanooga/Hamilton County, and the state of Tennessee in the 2017 Bands of America Grand National Championships! In 2016-2017 the Ooltewah high School Band represented these same people while performing in the Tournament of Roses Parade! This was an incredible honor and a once in a life time experience for our band members. While in Pasadena, the Ooltewah Band visited and performed at the Ronald McDonald House where the band donated over 150 stuffed animals for the children and families needing the Ronald McDonald House support. Our band also performed as part of the Tournament of Roses Band Fest, which is an exhibition of all the band's field shows.

*This 2018-2019 school year promises to also be very exciting!! **On November 20-25, the Ooltewah High School Band will travel to Chicago, Illinois to perform in the McDonald's Thanksgiving Day Parade.** This will be our band's second performance in this parade which will be nationally broadcast on the WGN network. There are other special events and performances that will be announced throughout the school year. The 2018-2019 school year promises to be another exceptional year for our band program.*

***I need your help!** While incredibly important and exciting, our trip to the McDonald's Thanksgiving Day Parade will also be an expensive venture for our band program. Our band fees including our trip will cost approximately \$1,950 per student. Would you please consider supporting us? You may be surprised to learn that the Ooltewah Band receives no financial support from our school system other than providing our band director and a classroom. This means essential items such as music, marching drill, replacing and maintaining instruments, sectional music instruction, costumes and transportation have to be fundraised each year by our band members and parents. The OHS Band Boosters provides opportunities for the members of the band to earn money through sponsorship & fundraising events and will accept donations on our behalf.*

*Your sponsorship donation will take me one step closer to benefiting from this amazing opportunity to perform in the McDonald's Thanksgiving Day Parade as well as all the opportunities the Ooltewah Band has to offer. Your contribution is considered a charitable contribution. The OHS Band Boosters, Inc. is recognized by the U.S. Internal Revenue Service as a tax-exempt organization under Section 501(c)(3). **Please join us and support our Ooltewah High School Band!***

Thank you for helping to keep music alive at Ooltewah High School.

(OHS Band Member)

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