

The Association of Bands  
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*To Whom It May Concern:*

*The Association of Bands is a non-profit organization that has been established to aide and assist students who have a desire to pursue music, but are at a financial disadvantage. The Association's first endeavor for Winter 2008 is to assist the Cass Technical Marching Band with obtaining financial assistance for a national performance in the Orange Bowl held in Miami, Florida.*

*Since 1990, the Cass Technical High School Marching Band has been working diligently representing the Detroit Metropolitan Area as one of the premiere bands in the nation. They have performed at various national competitions located in Virginia, Georgia, Louisiana, Ohio, North Carolina, Tennessee, Washington, D.C. and Florida. Historically, they have been show cased at the Michigan State Fair, the Boblo Boat, the Michigan Thanksgiving, Labor Day and Memorial Day Parades. Locally, they have performed for the Royal Oak community, Fox 2, Michigan Tech University, at the request of Mayor Kwame Kilpatrick and various other community events and parades. Within the heart of their hometown in Detroit, they have performed at the New YMCA Dedication, the lighting of the Christmas tree at Campus Martius Park and participated at a special birthday celebration for Cass Tech's and WDIV Channel Four's own Carmen Harlan. These accomplishments would not have been possible without past individual and corporate financial support.*

*The invitation to the Orange Bowl is only extended to a few high schools nationally. Cass Technical High School Marching Band is truly honored to represent the "New Detroit" and the state of Michigan with this prestigious honor. With your financial support, our students will be able to magnify the class and excellence of the city of Detroit. This designation is also a great asset to the portfolio of our many students graduating this year. Your donation in assisting these talented young men and women with their trip and stay in Miami, Florida will be greatly appreciated. Please return the enclosed form along with your tax deductible donation to the above address or go to [www.ctmb1990.com](http://www.ctmb1990.com).*

*Thank you,*

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