

Perkins – Tryon High School Band Program

Dear Community Member or Business Leader,

We need your help! The Perkins-Tryon High School band program continues to thrive and maintain a tradition of excellence. Much of the program's operational costs are able to happen because of fundraising support from our community, particularly the Sweepstakes Society.

The name Sweepstakes Society is born out of the achievement the Perkins-Tryon High School band program has reached 13 times in school history. With the latest being recently in the 2023 Spring semester. To win a Sweepstakes Award, the program must receive Superior ratings in Marching Contest, Concert Performance, and Sight Reading. The road to Sweepstakes is rigorous. Students begin practicing for marching season 3 weeks before school - enduring the heat and humidity while exercising discipline, musicianship and leadership. Training continues year round with early practices, late night away games, and 25% of the programs' students taking private lessons. Being awarded the Sweepstakes Award is a High School Band Programs' highest honor, equivalent to being state champs.

The pursuit for excellence in the Perkins-Tryon program is relentless. As a result of the long hours of hard work and dedication, our program has always seen substantial participation in both regional and statewide honor groups. This year the Midnight Regiment was able to place 2nd at the Oklahoma Bandmasters Association State Championships. In years past, the program has even been given an invitation to perform at the Oklahoma Music Educators Association Conference - an honor only offered to the state's top performing programs. In addition to music excellence, the High School Band continues to demonstrate Academic Excellence - proof that the culture of the program is a healthy place for students to grow as they prepare for the future.

The Sweepstakes Society provides individuals and businesses an avenue to equip the program with music, instruments, stands, and uniforms, as well as cover travel expenses and address technology needs. Members of the Sweepstakes Society receive multiple opportunities for promotion, donations are tax deductible, and payment installments are available.

Please consider becoming a member of the Sweepstakes Society by making your donation to support the future of music education in our community. For more information please visit www.ptdemons.com/band or email ptbandboosters@gmail.com.

Deadline for shirt, banner, and trailer signage is 6/23/23.

Thank you very much for your consideration,

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