## Top 10 Reasons to Have Your Child Participate in High School Band

10. Helps develop a sense of discipline and commitment - practicing music, scheduling rehearsals, preparing for and participating in performances
11. Develops an understanding and appreciation of teamwork and provides opportunities for development of leadership skills
12. Provides structured activities and keeps teenagers busy in a positive way - rehearsals, competitions, football games, parades, etc.
13. Promotes opportunities to be with a group of peers who share similar interests and fosters development of close, long-lasting friendships with a "good" group of kids
14. Builds brainpower - research shows that kids who play an instrument tend to be smarter and earn better grades
15. Builds coordination and stamina - marching is an art and playing an instrument requires coordination; doing both at the same time offers a real sense of accomplishment
16. Gives parents an opportunity to interact with their high school kids and get to know other parents through chaperoning, helping with band functions and fund raisers
17. Helps provide for a more well-rounded education by exposing kids to the arts
18. Offers opportunities for kids to participate in exciting school-sponsored trips and events such as Disney World, Universal Studios, Myrtle Beach
19. IT'S FUN - for both KIDS and PARENTS!!!

