Dear Business Leaders and Individuals,

I am Matt Martindale, and I am the Director of Bands of Shelby County High School. At SCHS, we seek to help students by giving them an outline of expression and learning. Our program's students learn to become leaders and independent thinkers and learn to explore the world with an open mind. Many of our students use their band journey to shape their futures, and upon graduation, they are ready to expand themselves and better our country.

While we have made some great strides, The Pride of Shelby County still has a lot to accomplish.

We need your support to send our students to Washington, D.C. for a once-in-a-lifetime performance. The Symphonic Band has been invited to perform in D.C. in 2022 along with the United States Army Band "Pershing's Own." The SCHS Band was one of eight high school bands from across the country invited to this event. In total the trip will cost approximately \$90,000 for all students to attend.

Would you consider donating to help us achieve our mission? Attached is our sponsorship program. As you can see, there is some advertising incentive for you and your company.

If you have any questions, I would be happy to provide you with more information about how you can help support our work at SCHS.

We greatly appreciate your donation, and it will be used to provide this fantastic educational opportunity to students. If you wish to contribute, please fill out the attached form or send us an email at <u>mmartindale@shelbyed.org</u>.

Please join us! With your donation, we're one step closer to \$25,000!

Sincerely, Matt Martindale