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To: The Norton Board of Education

From: Thomas Chiera

Re: Bands of America Grand Nationals Competition - Indianapolis Indiana

The Norton Marching Band would like to have your permission to attend the Bands of America GN Competition in Indianapolis Indiana from Thursday, November 14th through Saturday November 16th.

The Music Boosters offer many fundraisers to cover the trip so that there is no expense to the district as well as provide many chaperones to help make the trip run smoothly.

The itinerary will be well planned and packed with events such as performing in Lucas Oil Stadium, observing other nationally recognized bands in finals on Saturday, and visiting the Indianapolis attractions. The marching band staff of Tom Chiera, and Dennis Oswald will be the representative school staff on the trip.

Students will be missing up to two days of school for this trip but our intention is to only miss Friday. This will be determined by our lottery draw of a performance time among the other 90 schools participating. As always, students will be made well aware that they are responsible for any missed work.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at 330-825-7277, or at 330-690-9136 (cell).

Thank you for your consideration.

Thomas Chiera 3-27-14