



**NORTON INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC DEPARTMENT**

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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 Wednesday, November 9th through Saturday November 12th.

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 semi-finals on Saturday, and visiting the Indianapolis attractions. Friday the band will be participating in the Indianapolis Veterans Day Parade and Celebration. The marching band staff of Tom Chiera, and Chuck Kaufman will be the representative school staff on the trip.

Students will be missing two days of school for this trip, Thursday November 10th and Friday November 11th. 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  
10-18-22**