# **ENCOURAGE EXCELLENCE**



# The Backdrop: World Class marching music performance

Drum Corps International - also known as Marching Music's Major League - represents the elite level of marching music. Established in 1972, DCI produces the world's most exclusive marching ensemble competitive events for student musicians and performers. Activity takes place throughout the summer at venues across the US.

### The Setting: America's Corps

Troopers Drum and Bugle Corps, based in Casper, WY, is one of DCI's most storied and historic organizations. Founded in 1957, the Troopers were one of the founding members of DCI. The Troopers is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization and is widely recognized and respected by drum corps fans around the world. Ever building on a championship tradition with dedication to excellence, this corps has been nicknamed "America's Corps," a title held with honor.



### Troopers Drum & Bugle Corps

Website:

www.TroopersDrumCorps.org

Sponsorship URL:

www.troopersdrumcorps.org/membersponsor

For more information:

Contact Number: (307) 472-2141 Email: director@troopersdrumcorps.org In addition to helping organize and unify youth-focused competitive drum corps, the Troopers - a perennial World Class finalist - has long been known for innovation within the activity. From being the first ensemble to go on national tour to advancing show moves in the early days to being among the first to have females in championship playing lines, the Troopers have always embraced education, member experience, inclusion and excellence.

# The Individual: an important part of the Troopers' team

The outstanding young adult bearing this flier auditioned among nearly 1,000 Trooper hopefuls to earn a place with us in 2025. Acceptance into the Troopers is primarily based on an individual's positive attitude, self discipline, and dedication combined with their musical ability and marching skills.

#### The Cost: physical and beyond

Members will spend hundreds of hours preparing a much-anticipated program that they will perform in dozens of shows from the Pacific Northwest to the football fields of Texas to stadiums on the East Coast before ending at the world's championship in Indianapolis.

As a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, the Troopers – and all drum and bugle corps – fundraise to cover travel, show design, education and more. Additionally, to participate in the activity, individual members pay tour fees following a successful audition and invitation to join.

For 2025, each of the Troopers' marching members is asked to contribute \$5,500 toward lodging, transportation, instruction and equipment. While this investment is large, it only covers approximately 1/3 of the actual cost of preparing and presenting a program for shows across the country.



## **How You Can Help**

We hope you will consider providing support toward this member's participation. 100% of your gift will be credited to this member's account. Any sponsorship amount helps the outstanding young person that contacted you.

Contributions clearly identified will be credited to the noted contracted member. Payments toward tour fees are not tax deductible. Should the member be unable to fulfill their contract, sponsorships are converted to credits in the Troopers' yearly scholarship fund to benefit another member.



### THE HOW TO:

## Submitting a Sponsorship:



Scan the QR code to reach the official donation portal. Be sure to clearly indicate the name of the member you are sponsoring.



Or visit the Troopers' website for more information or to find details for mailing a sponsorship.

#### Sponsorships due by May 23