Proposal to TCS School Board

Date: Monday, December 13, 2010

Re: Overseas trip to London, England to perform at Queen's Diamond Jubilee

From: Carolyn Smith, Director

Rosman Middle and High School Band

This proposal is for the Rosman Middle and High School Band to gain school board approval to travel overseas to London, England in June of 2012. In London, we will perform at the Queen's Diamond Jubilee festival, which will be in association with the opening of the 2012 Olympic and Paralymic Games a month later. To be clear, we will not be performing at the large ceremony typically associated with the opening of the Olympics, but rather as one of the many ensembles that will perform in various venues in and around London approximately a month before the actual Olympic ceremonies open. The main event is called the "Gala Concert" on June 23; This is where we will perform.

I received an email as a personal invitation by the conductor of this event, Dr. Gary Gilroy in November. Dr. Gilroy stated that he can personally invite quality programs recommended by "elite colleagues". Typically, bands have to apply and then send in recordings for this type of performance opportunity. Being invited waives the application process for Rosman, and is considered a high honor for us, as well as for the Transylvania County School District.

I have enclosed a FAQ document that will explain more about this trip.

Thank you for your consideration,

Carolyn J. Smith, Director of Bands, RMHS