

\$1000 SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY



The South Florida Pride Concert Band is proud to announce the Fourteenth Annual Pride Youth Band program for 2024-2025. The band is open to all high school band students in South Florida. Its purpose is to give students an opportunity to work with an outstanding artistic team and musician mentors, to network with other band students, to unite against bullying, and to celebrate diversity through music.

GUEST CLINICIANS

The Pride Youth Band will be conducted by **Cheldon Williams**. Mr. Williams is the Associate Director of Bands and Director of Athletic Bands at West Virginia University. Also conducting will be **Dan Bassett**, Artistic Director of the South Florida Pride Concert Band since 2006. Mr. Bassett is a Florida music educator with over 25 years experience and a founding member of the Pride Youth Band.

SCHOLARSHIPS

Students participating will be eligible for one of at least **TEN \$1000 COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS**. Recipients of the scholarships will be selected by the program leadership based on participation, enthusiasm, and leadership qualities. To date over \$200,000 in college scholarships have been awarded.

APPLICATION PROCESS AND REQUIREMENTS

Interested students are required to complete an application at www.SouthFloridaPrideBands.org, by December 1st, 2024. Students will be notified of their acceptance via email and sent music by December 30th, 2024. Rehearsals will take place on February 2, 9, 16, and 22 at St. Mark's Episcopal School in Ft. Lauderdale, FL. Students will perform in concert on Sunday, February 23, 2025 at 7:00 p.m. at The Parker in Ft. Lauderdale. Local professional musicians will be working with students in sectional and ensemble rehearsals leading up to the performance weekend. All rehearsals are REQUIRED. Please check these dates before applying. Acceptance into the Pride Youth Band will be based on receipt of application and instrumentation needs. It is FREE to apply. If accepted, students pay a \$20 participation fee. Students with financial need may request a waiver of the \$20 participation fee. Students with transportation issues may also request assistance. Please include these requests on your application.

CONTACT INFORMATION

If you are interested in volunteering or donating to this worthy cause, please contact us by email at ypbcoordinator@gmail.com. South Florida Pride Bands and its component organizations are fully licensed and insured. Phone contact: 954- 667-9228.

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