Michelle Wilson  
Volunteer Coordinator: Nominee

I am a Music Educator with over 20 years of K­12 classroom experience. While working with youth as a teacher, BSA Counselor, Youth Director, Cotillion Instructor, and Director of 9 stage musicals, the biggest joy I have is seeing the smiles that suddenly appear on children’s faces after they accomplish something. I was terrified watching my daughter toss a color­guard flag for the first time, but then catching it and smiling as though nothing could stop her. I was worried when my son went to band camp his freshman year, but he came home exhausted and said it was the best time he had ever had. I knew I wanted to be there to support my kids, and I also knew the success of this program wouldn’t be possible without the volunteers who make sure that every event is safe, positive and meaningful.

As a band volunteer for the past 4 years, I am grateful for what this program means to the students, parents and community. I am committed to growing the number of active volunteers, and creating an environment where everyone feels encouraged, supported and appreciated. I believe that strong working relationships, good organization and attention to each individual's talents, helps in finding a good match for each person who is willing to donate their time to the band. Working with many volunteers over the years, I have found it’s important to have clear communication, a positive team to work with, and that you feel comfortable bringing any concerns to me. Most of all that you had fun, experienced what it is like to be a part of such an amazing organization, and that you are there to support your child and see their smiles