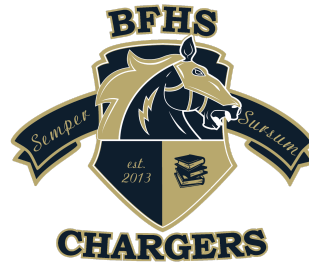


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Dear Family, Friends, and Neighbors,

I have the amazing opportunity to travel to **New York City** with my orchestra at **Benjamin Franklin High School** during this school year. The total cost of this trip is roughly **\$2000**. During this trip I will have the opportunity to learn and grow through performance in the **World Strides On Stage Music Festival at the Riverside Church in Manhattan**, attend a performance of the **New York Philharmonic Orchestra**, and see a musical on **Broadway** like ***Wicked*** or ***West Side Story***. I have been working hard to earn money, fundraise, and keep my grades up in order to attend this trip. I am wondering if you would be willing to help me in my goal by donating through the **AZ Tax Credit Program**.

If you are unfamiliar with this tax credit, here is how it works:

Any resident of Arizona can take this credit! You do not have to be parents of school children to use it. **Arizona tax law A.R.S 43-1089.01** applies to **all** taxpayers, regardless of whether they have children in school. This tax law is a **tax credit**. It is **subtracted** from the taxes you owe and a refund of the amount donated (up to **\$400.00 for married couples** and **\$200.00 for individuals**). Because this contribution is deducted from the amount of taxes you owe, or added to your tax refund, it is essentially “free money” which will directly benefit my education and enable me to have this once in a lifetime experience.

Your donation goes where you say! Contributions that are eligible for the tax credit donation go directly to the school, program, and student that you designate. There are no overhead or administrative fees at the district or state level. These funds go directly to help students, and in this case, me!

To claim this **Arizona Tax Credit**, simply donate anywhere from **\$10 to \$200 for individuals** or **\$10 to \$400 for married couples** by writing a check to **BFCS** and filling out the attached **Tax Credit form**. You can mail this form and check to the **Benjamin Franklin High School (18864 E. Germann Rd. Queen Creek, AZ 85142)** or I would be happy to turn it into the office for you. You will then receive a receipt that you can use as you file your taxes. The deadline to donate for the year 2017 is **April 15, 2018**, and tax credit donations for 2018 can be submitted starting **January 1, 2018**.

Thank you for the opportunity to talk to you about this. I am grateful for your time and for any donation you would be willing to give in my behalf.

Sincerely,