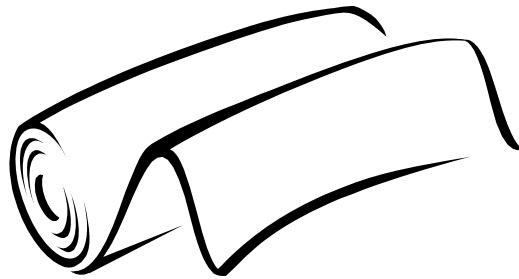


THE TRADITION OF THE TOWELS



It has often been asked, “Why are there paper towels on all of your trophies?” For the answer, we must take you back to the 1999-2000 School Year and our show entitled “Vacation ’99.” The Pride was performing at the Rockdale County Marching Contest, and it was a dreary day in Conyers, with a steady rain coming down, as the Marching Pride entered the field. Following their energetic and crowd pleasing performance, the Pride entered the stands for the awards ceremony. The seats, being saturated by the constant rain, were very wet. So, the Marching Pride Booster Club gave each student a towel to wipe off their seat. Legend has it that no students used their towels to dry the seats. Rather, the towels became rally towels to support the Marching Pride. As it turns out, this contest was the first of 25 Grand Championships the Marching Pride has won and is often credited for the Pride’s continued love for performing in the rain! Today, the tradition of waving the towels by students and parents and the hanging of the towels on each trophy continues. The towels do not represent wins but more importantly the incredible source of dedication, hard work, commitment and PRIDE our students and parents have for our band program.

GO PRIDE GO!!!