

STRINGS ATTACHED

To Whom It May Concern:

Please allow me to introduce you to ***Strings Attached***, Wilmington's Public School Strings Orchestra. We have been in existence since 1987 and currently have over 300 members in grades 4-12.

Students can join Strings Attached in 4th grade, and as they progress into middle school, they perform in Lake George, NY, and every two years our high school students are eligible to travel to Europe. As part of their preparation for Europe, the students study the art and history of the country they plan to visit. They also play for our state officials in the rotunda of the State House. They receive the honor of "Ambassadors of Wilmington" and a personalized citation, recognizing their ambassadorship by Senator Kennedy and Senator Kerry, Governor Romney, Mayor Menino, and Representative Miceli. These citations are given to European dignitaries during their visit. The students know how meaningful it is to say, "I am an American".

As ambassadors for our town, the Strings Attached group has traveled to England, France, Quebec, and Ireland. In April of 2007, the high school Strings Attached students are planning to travel to Italy. To kick off fundraising for this event, the Strings Attached Parent Support group will be hosting a Pasta Dinner on September 29. For your tax-deductible donation of \$50, your company name will be printed on the placemat at the dinner, being listed as a donator and supporter of this worthwhile group. Your company name will be acknowledged by all of those attending the dinner.

Strings Attached students learn to give back to the town that has given so much to them. They have raised thousands of dollars to donate the lawn signs for our High School and Middle School. We contribute to the Wilmington Food Pantry, Wilmington Fire Department's *Toys for Tots*, and the Shriner's Burn Center. Each holiday season, our high school students travel to Boston shelters to play for the homeless and donate clothing. We have fundraised with Mary Ann Esposito of *Ciao Italia*, and Grace Corrigan, mother of astronaut, Christa McAuliffe.

We hope you will strongly consider donating to this worthwhile event and help support our students as they travel to Italy this April. If you have any questions, feel free to contact Debbie DiNuccio at (978) 657-7517. Please send your tax-deductible donation to:

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