## ... Not to Equal

Throughout the preliminary part of the season, they placed second, yet they strove to be number one. They made it at lower state by coming in fourth; the top five go to state. Finally, the day arrived when all their hard work, patience, effort, and time paid off. They had to travel to Batesburg-Leesville for the competition, but when all was played and done, the Patriots took fifth place. The band members shouted and jumped in jubilation. They had accomplished their goal — they made it to state!

The band members learned that even though they didn't win first place in everything they did, if they put in their all, anything could be accomplished. They never lost pride in themselves.

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Assistant Roderick Williams replied, "It was a great experience for me this year working with the band, and I wish them the best in their upcoming endeavors."



