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HUTCHINSON HIGH SALTHAWK BAND CHOSEN FOR REAGAN INAUGURAL PARADE

WASHINGTON -- The Hutchinson High School Salthawk Marching Band will travel to Washington on January 20, 1981, as one of 20 high school and college bands selected to perform in the Reagan inaugural parade. Senator Bob Dole (R-Kan.) said today he had received word from the Presidential Inaugural Committee that the band had been chosen to perform in the one-hour celebration following the inaugural ceremony.

"This is a great honor for the state of Kansas, and a tribute to the dedication of Hutchinson High's band members and faculty," Dole said. "They will be able representatives of Kansas."

The Salthawk Band was selected from among other high school and college bands competing for the honor throughout the Midwest. The 129-member band and 16 flag twirlers are under the musical direction of William Lilley.

The Inaugural Committee's notification to the band stated that the selection "recognizes your excellent performance record, appearance and enthusiasm." The committee urged the band to proceed with fundraising efforts for the trip.