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**ROARING LIONS MARCHING BAND PRESENTS “JOYRIDE”**

Suwanee, Georgia, August 12, 2008-The **Peachtree Ridge High School Roaring Lions Marching Band** in preparation for the marching season recently completed two weeks of Band Camp, one on campus at Peachtree Ridge and the other at LaGrange College in LaGrange, Georgia. Preparation for the coming season began in June when the students received music for the new show. All band members, including Colorguard, Percussion, Pit, and Horn line have worked through the summer, both individually and in sectional rehearsals laying the groundwork for camp. In their sixth season this group of 108 students has worked countless hours to rehearse music, practice marching fundamentals and learn drill for their 2008 show, **JOYRIDE**.

**Director of Bands, Heath Jones** along with **Assistant Director, Heath Lawless** have developed a new band show that will excite and delight audiences, keeping them entertained as they enjoy the ride. Under the field direction of **Drum Majors Carolyn Davenport, Michael Kersh, and Gina Torcivia** the crowd will travel along life’s highway both alone and with friends. **Joyride** is comprised of three movements with music arranged by Ryan George for the Peachtree Ridge band. Movement 1 – sets the mood as one can imagine the thrills and chills of setting out on the journey. Movement 2 – is a nostalgic rendition of “The Lonesome Road” which makes one wonder if the journey is worthwhile. Movement 3 – will make one really glad that they made the journey with the music “takin it to the streets” by the Doobie Brothers. **JOYRIDE** is sure to be another crowd pleaser!

The Band will debut **JOYRIDE** at their first home football game August 29<sup>th</sup>. In addition to performing at all Peachtree Ridge football games, the Roaring Lions Marching Band is also scheduled to appear in the Duluth Fall Festival Parade September 27<sup>th</sup> and will enter three marching competitions and an Exhibition. The band will also travel this year to Philadelphia where they have been invited to perform in the famous Thanksgiving Day Parade. The complete schedule is available at prbba.org so you can make plans to join us and support the **Peachtree Ridge High School Roaring Lions Marching Band** as they present **JOYRIDE**.

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