

MS 158 Symphonic Band, Euphonium

When the M.S. 158 music program first began,
There were more students than planned.
All the instruments were worn,
Students had to share Ms. Schecter's French horn.

Everyone did their best
Not to look too depressed.
With what they had, they did what they could
But knowing the program might end was the only thing they understood.

Then, in April of 2009,
A light began to shine.
Angels flew across the nation
Giving us instruments from Mr. Holland's Opus Foundation.

They gave us 14 instruments that were new.
It was an event no one wanted to undo.
Everyone smiled at each other,
Their music could finally be free from being a hostile.

Today, new instruments make 158 cool
And even influence Josh Groban to come to our school.
We're winning awards one by one,
It's like a never ending home-run.

All the concerts we have are a huge success
It's all thanks to the instruments nonetheless.
Our music in NYSSMA has been raised to a level 3
It's been hard, but when completed, people smile with glee.

But the main reason I love music in my day
Isn't to take trophies and fly away.
It's because I get to stop being so tense in my own heaven,
Otherwise called a place called B27.

Music and laughter project from that room.
It's okay to play as loud as a sonic boom.

We get to be ourselves and relax
Without teachers telling us to pick up the slack.

Music is everywhere in our lives,
But it's up to us to let it survive.