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A private, non-denominational, Christ-centered school for at-risk youth in grades 5-9 in the Glenwood neighborhood of Greensboro.

## Raising HOPE one beat at a time.

A quick update on Hope Academy

What happens when students want to play music but have no money for instruments? They get creative.

Who knew Lowe's Hardware would be the supplier for Hope Academy's first musical production? When Nathan from the Piedmont Blues Preservation Society became the music instructor for several students at Hope Academy, he quickly discovered they had a talent for carrying a beat but had little on which to practice. With no budget for instruments, he quickly headed off to Lowe's and returned with 10 gallon paint buckets and two sizes of plastic trash cans, courtesy of Lowe's. Armed with the new percussion instruments and drum sticks, Nathan started forming Hope Academy's first STOMP team. (A Broadway percussion group which uses ordinary objects to make extraordinary sound.) Most of our students have never had any type of music class. It's been amazing to watch their confidence level rise week after week as they begin to believe they actually have talent! To round out their ensemble group and sound, we may soon be going to Food Lion for plastic bags, a junk yard for a couple of hub caps and K-mart for broom sticks!



Hope Academy could not exist without the entire community of Greensboro coming together to support our at-risk students. Here are two of our community partners to whom we are so grateful.

**The Piedmont Blues Preservation Society** offers concerts and weekly musical instruction to our students to help them develop a love for music.

**The Bryan Family YMCA** provides weekly swim classes and aerobic activities for our students.

Research shows that music and physical activity help at-risk students relieve stress in their lives.

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