

Brass Band Changes Name to Music Corps

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After long deliberation, Brass Band leaders around the country have decided to change the name of the SGI-USA Brass Band to the SGI-USA Music Corps. This decision arose out of their desire to better embrace the variety of music groups that have developed across the United States over the years.

When SGI President Ikeda formed this activity in 1954, he named it Ongaku-tai or Music Corps. Yet out of determination to establish a group with a more American feel, this activity in the United States has been known as the Brass Band since its inception in 1967.

This change will primarily apply to the national support committee and will not force established local bands to alter the names of their groups.

It is hoped that the youth division musical groups of the SGI-USA will continue to evolve in myriad ways, according to the trends and styles of each area.

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