

Steppin' Out In Black And Gold

he "Golden Griffin" Marchina band have been high steppers this year. Under the direction of Mr. Raymond Mazyck and his assistants, Mr. Mylon Gadson and Ms. Judy Dodd, the band has worked tremendously hard from the beginning of the school year until the end. If the members of the band weren't doing the "Funky Y2C" on the football field, they were doing the "Tootsie Roll" in the streets.

This year the band consists of 130 members with two drum majors, Tom-



mie Grier and Michael Davis. The band received many awards this year and were the lead band in the Columbia Carollon Christmas Parade. "I hate that this is my last year on the band. I'm really going to miss it," said Demetrice Chisholm.

The band is known locally, statewide, and nationally. From Winnsboro, S.C. to Dallas, T.X. back to Orlando, F.A., the band has a reputation. They have truely showed their strategies for success. Dedication, motivation, and most importantly, their education are

key factors that show their great expectations for the present and the future.

Separating fact from opinion, the high steppers show they can "beat'em and bust'em because that's their custom."