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News Release:

**St Augustine Senior Comprehensive School Steelband
Returns from South Africa**

The St. Augustine Senior Comprehensive School Steel Orchestra returned from a hectic tour to South Africa over the weekend. The 22 members of the steelband performed to large and enthusiastic audiences at the International Cricket Council's 20-20 Cricket World Cup and at the Cape Town Waterfront.

St Augustine Senior Comprehensive School Steel Orchestra is the 2007 National Junior Panorama Champions. The visit to South Africa, as part of a cultural contingent, formed part of their prize as Panorama Champions.

Winners of the National Junior Panorama Competition for the past three years, the students came in for high praise from cricket commentator, Mr. Tony Cozier, who spoke glowingly about the school band and the immeasurable exposure it brought to this country.

The school's principal, Joslyn Grayson says, "news of the steelband's success in South Africa comes as no surprise", as the hard work and commitment of the talented musicians continues to pay off.

The three-time champions also performed with a popular South African drumming group in an intercultural presentation. Their last performance on September 21, 2007 received encores after ten minutes of performances, prompting the band to oblige the crowd with an additional two hours of scintillating pan music.

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