

04-30-15 Rehearsal Notes

BEFORE THE CONCERT - See Music Notes about cummerbund and bowtie distribution on May 7, and things to do, check and prepare prior to the concert.

IMPORTANT DATES AND DEADLINES

May 7 – 5:00 – 6:00pm Percussion /drumline practice for parades
MARCHING CADET PERCUSSIONISTS INCLUDED

May 14/15 – Spring Concert Dress Rehearsal and Performance, **CADETS INCLUDED**

May 21 – 1. Band music/property returned 2. Marching hats distributed
3. Preliminary Marching practice 4. Audition Q& A with the director

May 28 – All the following at Resurrection –
1. 4:00 – 9:00pm Instrument fitting
2. If needed - **Percussion /drumline practice for parades,**
CADETS INCLUDED, time TBA

SECTIONALS FOR 05-07-15 - Please bring your own tuner and tune before rehearsal

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| Junior | 5:45-6:00pm | NONE | Kitchen |
| Junior | 5:45-6:00pm | NONE | Hall |
| Senior | 6:45-7:00pm | NONE | Kitchen |
| Senior | 6:45-7:00pm | NONE | Hall |
| Symphonic | 7:45-8:00pm | Flutes | Kitchen |
| Symphonic | 7:45-8:00pm | NONE | Hall |

Sweeping/Trash Assignments for next rehearsal after Symphonic band

You must get a sub if you will not be there. 05/07 – Alicia M, Henrey D

MUSIC NOTES

Cadets

Cadet families, while there are no more regular rehearsals please continue to check the weekly notes for important band information including dates and deadlines.

ACCOLADES TO THE CADETS

Congratulations to the Cadet band on a wonderful year of musical efforts and progress. The concert was excellent and all should be proud of their accomplishments. Great work and keep practicing. It's never too soon to start preparing for auditions.

CADETS TO PLAY AT SPRING CONCERT – The Cadets will play as part of the Junior, Senior, Symphonic Spring Concert at Edman Memorial Chapel, playing with the combined bands on You're a Grand Old Flag. All Cadets (in Concert Dress) will need to attend to a portion of the Dress Rehearsal on May 14 and the entire Concert on May 15. **Arrival time is 8pm for Dress Rehearsal**; Concert arrival time is 6pm. Much more information will come in the Dress Rehearsal/Concert Document next week.

LYRE AND FLIP FOLDERS NEEDED FOR CONCERT

Standing wind musicians from Cadets will need to use a lyre and flip-folder (instrument specific) at the Spring Concert. Be sure to label both items. You need this for You're a Grand Old Flag. Under **no circumstances** should music be cut to fit! Rather, photocopy and reduce it.

May 7 - Cadets percussionists intending to march, must attend the preliminary Summer Marching drumline marching practice and, if needed, May 28 also.

VERY IMPORTANT- May 21

May 21 is the final Concert Season Meeting after the Spring Concert AND official start of SUMMER MARCHING TRIMESTER. **ALL CADETS MUST ATTEND.** Band members arrive at 6 PM to do returns, etc.

- Return sheet music for Cardiff Castle and You're a Grand Old Flag, check them in at designated spot at table. The fine for any missing marching size music is \$1.00, while any full size missing music is \$4.00. You are expected to pay your fines when you return your music. Come prepared to do so.
- MANDATORY Return/check-in of all WSHSB rental/loaner instruments (Cadets too) for the **ANNUAL INSTRUMENT INVENTORY/CHECK** even if you plan to re-rent one
- Return of any/all other band property
- Summer marching music and hat distribution
- Music filing/organizing by parent volunteers
- 7:30 Preliminary marching practice - **bring your instrument, lyre and flip-folder**
- 8:30 – 9:30 pm - Audition Questions and Answers with Mrs. Borow

Those not marching may leave after they have completed their return(s) unless you wish to stay for Q&A time.

Notes to Junior, Senior, and Symphonic bands –

DRUMLINE PRACTICE

May 7, from 5:00 to 6pm is a Summer Marching percussion drumline practice. Make sure you are on time. If needed the next drumline practice will be **May 28**, time TBA.

CONCERT PROGRAM PROOFING

We only have next rehearsal for Junior, Senior and Symphonic to check concert program proof sheets at the front table at practice. We need every band member to check the spelling of their name, their band(s) and instrument(s). Make corrections if necessary or email the director. This will help avoid errors in the concert program.

CONCERT REMINDERS FOR ALL

1. **Attention all Second Chair people** - With bad weather and all the flu and cold bugs going around at this time of year there can be many unexpected absences. All SECOND CHAIR people need to practice all solos in case the FIRST chair becomes ill and cannot make the concert.
2. **Break in new reeds now** - Do not expect to perform well at the concert with a brand new reed. You must have a couple reeds already BROKEN-IN prior to the dress rehearsal. Have more than one ready in case of breakage.
3. **Put your music in concert order as listed in these notes**
4. **Cummerbunds and bowties** - Cummerbunds and bow ties will be distributed at practice on May 7. Band members must stop by the front table to pick up what is needed for their highest band. Everyone wears a bow tie. Concert Senior and Symphonic also wear a cummerbund. Do not just help yourself, but see one of the moms at the table.
5. **Review Dress Code and check fit of clothes NOW – shirt, pants, etc** - Remember, **FULL CONCERT DRESS is to be worn to Dress Rehearsal** and you will be observed for compliance
6. **Lyre and Flip Folders needed for Concert** - Standing wind musicians from Cadet, Concert Junior, Concert Senior and Symphonic need to use a lyre and flip-folder at the Spring Concert. Be sure to label. Under **no circumstances** should it be cut to fit! Rather photocopy and reduce it.
 - Senior and Symphonic for Star Spangled Banner. *All play from the BLUE (Bb) side.*
 - Concert Junior and Concert Senior for American Pride, God Bless America and You're a Grand Old Flag. Cadets also for You're a Grand Old Flag.
7. **About those tapping feet** - The sound of people tapping their feet to help keep time can be very apparent during rehearsals in Cornelius Hall, which has a SOLID, CONCRETE floor. This sound is magnified when on a stage that is hollow underneath as at Edman. Just lift your toes and do not tap the ball of your foot.

MISTAKES HAPPEN

It was noted by audience members at a past concert that it was apparent someone up front had made a mistake. The audience knew because the player made a face and moved about in some way showing their disappointment. This should never happen. Everyone makes a mistake sometime but nothing outward should be noticed by the audience. Good showmanship dictates to just continue playing and the moment will pass, overshadowed by the entire piece.

SYMPHONIC MEMBERS' NOTE

At the music return on May 21 you will need to return all music from the **first trimester** listed here. Find it now and put it in the following order. **The fine for any missing marching size music is \$1.00, while any full size missing music is \$4.00.** You are expected to pay your fines when you return your music. Come prepared to do so. Anyone who made working copies of their music and previously returned their originals will already be recorded as such.

Chorale and Shaker Dance
Fanfare and Presto (Brass Ensemble)
Fanfare Prelude on the "Italian Hymn"
Flower Duet
Marriage of Figaro
Morning, Noon and Night in Vienna Overture
Radetzky March
Serenata
Spirit of America
Star-Spangled Banner (Symphonic Portrait)
This is My Country

Junior

SECTIONALS - 5:45 – 6:00pm – NONE

SMILE Reminder

Star Spangled Banner ([play from the blue side](#))
Fanfare and Presto
Tick Tock
Three Welsh Chorales – [mvmt 2, "Hyfrydol"](#)
Schumann Suite, The
Song of the Telegraph
Bill Bailey
African Alleluia

American Pride (combined)
God Bless America (from 1st trimester)
You're a Grand Old Flag

Senior

SECTIONALS– 6:45 - 7:00pm – NONE

BRING TUNERS and please tune yourself before band, at your seat.

SMILE Reminder

Star Spangled Banner ([play from the blue side](#)) – Seniors will play on stage with Junior and Symphonic
Overture for Winds
Serengeti
Semper Fidelis
Mambo Cubano
Andrew Lloyd Webber in Concert
Psalm 42

How to Train Your Dragon

American Pride (combined)
God Bless America (from 1st trimester)
You're a Grand Old Flag (combined)

Symphonic

SECTIONALS – 7:45-8:00pm – KITCHEN – Flutes w/Mrs. Romsaithong on [Rienzi](#)

BRING TUNERS and please tune yourself before band, at your seat.

SMILE Reminder

Star Spangled Banner ([play from the blue side](#))
La Forza del Destino
Rim Shot
Mambo Jumbo Samba
Power and Glory
Blue Tango
El Cumbanchero
Rienzi

QUIZ – Flutes - Some are completing missing the fact that there is a *Gb* in the key signature.

American Pride (combined)
God Bless America (from 1st trimester)
You're a Grand Old Flag (combined)

GENERAL NOTES

SPRING CONCERT TICKETS AND FLYERS

Our Spring Concert flyers and tickets are both available at band and are also on our website (**Forms/Documents**). Make sure people know that while there are printed tickets, they are not necessary for entrance to the concert.

If every band family would post 3 flyers we would have **hundreds of** flyers posted. If some are able to do more, that's even better. **Post them at homeschool co-ops like Greenhouse and G.I.F.T.** In addition to libraries, think of other places with community bulletin boards, such as banks, churches, park districts, grocery stores, photo copy places etc., and ask them to post flyers. **We are depending on you** to post as many flyers as possible, wherever you can get permission.

POST-CONCERT PARTY

The Post-Concert party after our Spring Concert on Friday, May 15 will be at the Portillo's/Barnelli's on North Avenue, one business east of the McDonalds on the southeast corner of North Avenue and Bloomingdale Road in Glendale Heights. Management is expecting us and will have the necessary help on hand.

Know that **the restaurant will not be staying open past 11pm**, its normal closing time. Therefore, please get yourselves over to Portillo's sooner than later so you have plenty of time to eat and socialize before we must leave.