

## 10-19-17 Rehearsal Notes

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**DAILY PRACTICE SHOULD BE #1 PRIORITY FOR ALL**  
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### IMPORTANT DATES AND DEADLINES

**November 2** – Band Apparel Order **DEADLINE**

**November 13** – Monday evening, **7:30 – 8:30 pm** – Black uniform pants for all and Symphonic blue jacket fitting/exchange at the Borows.

You must sign-up in advance. See Rehearsal Notes for more info.

**November 16** – SEC Statement of Intention time officially begins.

Actual SEC Registration begins after Christmas break on January 4.

**November 24** – **FRIDAY evening – Wheaton Light-A-Holiday Parade**

Gather 5:00pm in parking lot behind Wheaton's City Hall (NW corner Wesley St. and Wheaton Ave.) Step-off 6 pm.

**November 30** – Cadet's Winter Performance Dress Rehearsal

**December 2** – **SATURDAY 1:00-2:00 pm** – Arrival time 12:15 pm

**YORKTOWN CHRISTMAS PERFORMANCE - JR, SR, SYM.**

ALL Cadets are welcome to attend this weekend performance.

**December 4** – **MONDAY- Winter trimester, BOOSTER VOLUNTEER JOBS to be RELEASED at 7pm. First come, first served.**

**December 7** – Cadet's Winter Performance at Resurrection, Cornelius Hall

### Sweeping/Trash Assignments for next rehearsal after Symphonic band

You must get a sub if you will not be there. 10/26– Hannah T, Rebecca T

### SECTIONALS FOR 10-26-17

Cadet	5:00-5:15pm	Trumpets	Kitchen
Cadet	5:00-5:15pm	French horns	Along wall
Cadet	5:00-5:15pm	Saxophones	Utility Room
Cadet	5:00-5:15pm	Flutes	Under Stairs
Junior	5:45-6:00pm	Percussion	Kitchen
Junior	5:45-6:00pm	French Horn	Under Stairs
Senior	6:45-7:00pm	Saxophones	Kitchen
Senior	6:45-7:00pm	Tubas	Under Stairs
Symphonic	7:30-7:45pm	Trombones	Kitchen
Symphonic	7:45-8:00pm	Low Brass/WW	Kitchen
Symphonic	8:00-8:10pm	Low WW	Kitchen

### MUSIC NOTES

#### Cadets

SECTIONALS – **5:00-5:15pm KITCHEN** – Trumpets –with Mrs. Svebaken – also, articulation check

**5:00-5:15pm** Along storage closet wall, French horns W/Stephen T and Mrs. Meecham

**5:00-5:15pm** – UTILITY ROOM-Saxophones with Stephen T and Kaitlyn L

**5:00-5:15pm** – UNDER STAIRS-Flutes with Mrs. Borow

**Do not stand on stairs or landing! Use only the area under the stairwell.**

#### FOR HOMEWORK –

1. Work on pages 10 and 11 and play along with recordings. Adjust tempo if you are able.

**WRITE IN THE LETTER NAMES OF NOTES on exercises if helpful.**

2. All Cadets should play the "Notes in Review" in the yellow box on page 6 - 10 times a day.
3. Page 42 - rhythm lines 17, 21, 25
4. **Practice these songs daily for the Cadet Performance on December 7.**  
**PLAY ALL SONGS WITH RECORDINGS**  
14 Rolling Along  
18 Go Tell Aunt Rhodie  
25 Lightly Row  
22 Split Decision, (*repeat one time, although not written that way*)  
    **A**-Woodwinds  
    **B**-Brass  
24 Listen to Our Sections  
30 London Bridge – ww on A; brass on B  
31 Mozart Melody  
38 Jingle Bells - ENCORE

Practice every day for no less than 20 minutes. You may split the time between multiple sessions. At every practice session, everyone should check their: posture and instrument hold, breathing/airstream, mouth position (embouchure) and use proper tonguing.

For daily practice, use whatever means you currently have available to you to listen to the recording for each exercise and try to match the pitch and tone.. If you currently have the CD-Rom or online access you can adjust tempo. Otherwise here are links to mp3 files for Essential Elements for all instruments. You will need to download a ZIP file then open it to get all the files. <https://www.halleonard.com/ee2000Band.jsp>  
***Practicing with recordings should help the student HEAR if they are playing the notes correctly.***

**NOTE TO BRASS:** It is imperative for brass players, to play with the recordings! It would be helpful if you can set your player on "repeat." Play all the odd exercises (1, 3, 5, etc.) and other exercises where new notes are introduced, and do each one separately for several minutes. Focus on the trial & error of moving your lips (tightening/loosening) in order to raise and lower your pitch and match the required notes in the exercises. It will take regular practice to reach the notes. Parents please listen while your student plays, to hear whether or not they are hitting the right pitch.

**TIPS FOR REACHING HIGHER NOTES**

For brass players, the difference between hitting a lower note and reaching a higher note with the same fingering /slide position is the force and speed of air being blown. Higher notes are reached by using a faster air speed and using more force to push the air through the horn harder.

***Cadets and parents, be sure to also read the General Notes further down.***

**Notes to Junior, Senior, and Symphonic bands –**

**CHECK THE SEATING CHART (esp. Senior Band)**

The Sr. seating chart will very likely change again this week. Check before being seated.

**RETURNING MUSIC – Do not return any music at this time.** We will announce in the notes when you may return music if you have made working copies for yourself. This includes any unneeded first parts of Finale from Symphony in F No.4 from the Symphonic audition. Watch the notes. Returns will only be accepted for two or three specified weeks after all Christmas music has been distributed. If you miss those dates you will have to wait until after the concert to return music

**BRING TUNERS**

**If you own a tuner please bring it each week and tune your instrument before your band time begins.**

Tuners are also available at the front table.

## Junior (see notes above)

SECTIONALS – 5:45-6:00pm KITCHEN – Percussion w/Kristen on [Overdrive](#)

5:45-6:00pm UNDER STAIRS – French horns on Greensleeves w/ Logan P

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\*\*\*\*\***PRACTICE DAILY WITH LINKS SENT IN 10/14 EMAIL**\*\*\*\*\*

**RED EE BOOK** – for warm-ups

Greensleeves – [Yorktown](#)

QUIZ - Trumpets

Percussion, 4 before C; will drill the rit. at ending

Star Spangled Banner [w/Symphonic](#)

Overdrive

Rondeau

Percussion - watch baton/keep tempo moving

Russian Sailor's Dance

Dona Nobis

African Folk Trilogy #2

Vieni Sul Mar

Trumpets, watch baton/keep tempo moving when you enter with melody

Hey Song

Good King Wenceslas - [Yorktown](#)

Name That Christmas Carol - [Yorktown](#)

God Bless America [Combined bands](#)

Zaketekas [Combined bands](#)

**We Need a Little Christmas**

**Christmas Spectacular**

## Senior (see notes above)

SECTIONALS – 6:45-7:00pm KITCHEN – Saxes w/Mrs. F on Cotton Eyed Joe – articulation; clean up runs

6:45-7:00pm UNDER STAIRS-Tubas w/ Mr. B; on Cotton Eyed Joe-@93, work on maintaining tempo

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**RED EE BOOK** – for warm-ups

Cotton Eyed Joe

Do You Hear What I Hear – [Yorktown](#)

QUIZ - last 4 meas.; work on separation

Once in Royal David's City - [Yorktown](#)

Tiptoe Through the Tubas –

NOTE to baritones, tubas, bass clarinets and baritone sax

Play from 1-6

Do not play from pick up to 7 thru 36 (Sam's solo)

Play Bossa Nova, 37-51;

Do not play 51-58 (Sam's solo)

Play from 59-end

Jungle Dance

Encanto

QUIZ - Brass beginning solos

Woodwind runs

Danse Carnivale

Skip grace notes for now, percussion too

African Bell Carol ([also for Yorktown](#))

Klezmer Dances

Skip measure 114

Ash Grove

QUIZ - All soloists practice with links, to help master entries.

God Bless America *Combined bands*

Zaketekas *Combined bands*

Play a Simple Melody

**We Need a Little Christmas**

**Christmas Spectacular**

## **Symphonic (see notes above)**

**SECTIONALS – 7:30-7:45pm Note earlier start time KITCHEN – Trombones-correct chords on Sleigh Ride**

**7:45-8:00pm KITCHEN-Low ww/brass-Incantation and Dance, @88, 94-115,148 and 181**

**8:00-8:10pm KITCHEN-Low ww-Incantation, @100, 148 and esp. 181**

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**RED EE BOOK** – for warm-ups

Rolling Thunder

Christmas Prologue - *Yorktown*

Finlandia

Academic Festival

### **NUMBER ALL MEASURES**

Anyone with bassoon cues should play them.

Trumpets, play oboe and French horn cues

Sleigh Ride – *Yorktown*

*Two versions of this song exist; one numbered, one lettered.*

*If measures are marked with letters, number all measures in pencil.*

Incantation and Dance

### **NUMBER ALL MEASURES**

QUIZ - low woodwinds @100 and 148

low brass @94-115,148 and 181

Deck the Halls with Chips and Salsa - *Yorktown*

Lohengrin Prelude to Act III

Caravan

All Those Endearing Charms

Silesian Folk Song

God Bless America *Combined bands*

Zaketekas *Combined bands*

Star Spangled Banner

Scherzo from Symphony No.9

**We Need a Little Christmas**

**Christmas Spectacular**

## ~~~~~ **GENERAL NOTES** ~~~~~

**MARCHING PINS ARE IN** - If you (students) did not received your 2017 summer marching pin on 10/12 please see Mrs. Weisner-Pardee. Also see her if you need a red ribbon for your pin(s).

**REGARDING OUTERWEAR JACKETS** - The temperature is cooling and there are coat racks near the entrance in Cornelius Hall. Everyone is to hang their jacket on the coat rack. Do not leave it with your instrument case. **MAKE SURE YOUR JACKET IS LABELED!**

**REGARDING PRACTICE SPACES** - Members are NOT ALLOWED to use any sectional areas for their own personal use (i.e. practice time) without obtaining prior permission from the Director via email, copying Mrs. Mergen as well.

While sectionals are listed in the band notes, it is not infrequent that the director schedules, via email, additional practice times for individuals/sections in remaining space(s). She is also known to ask a member to work with another member using of these areas. Your understanding and compliance is appreciated.

**JACKET AND PANTS FITTING** - It's time to check if you have everything you will need for the Cadet Performance and our Winter Concert. In the Handbook review the Concert Dress Code and Jacket and Pants Fitting. All Symphonic members need a band-provided blue jacket.

We hold a jacket and pants fitting **only once a year**. After this one and only fitting opportunity everything is packed away and not accessible. This year's fitting date is **Monday, November 13, 7:30 - 8:30 pm. YOU MUST SIGN-UP IF COMING**. There is a sign-up sheet at the front table or you may email Mr. Burt Andrews or Mrs. Pamela Andrews if you need to exchange or pick up a jacket or pants. Either way they need to know how many people to plan for and how many volunteers to recruit for assistance. They can also give you directions to the Borow's. If you need a jacket or pants and you have a conflict with the date or time, please let one of the Andrews know NOW so arrangements can be made before everything is packed away.

**Except for the fitting day in November, all jackets and pants must be turned in directly to Mr. or Mrs. Andrews – NOT to Mrs. Borow /to any Borow family member/placed in their van and or brought to their house.**

**HANDBOOK IS COMING BUT – The 2017-2018 Handbook** and the **Handbook Agreement** are still delayed due to time constraints for the director and webmaster. What is online now is from last year. Both will be emailed to all families when they are ready, with areas that were changed pointed out. To keep the weekly Rehearsal Notes from being so lengthy, we refer to the handbook frequently for details which will not be duplicated in the notes. We appreciate your patience and understanding. *Every family will need to return the signed agreement to the Admin Person at the front table by the date stated on the form.*

**TROMBONE FOR SALE** - Mrs. Karen Stevenson has a friend in her HS support group with a student trombone for sale. Please contact Mrs. Stevenson using your band directory for more information.

**IDEAS FOR PASSING TIME** - In the past moms of small children wondered what to do/where to go during band time. Suggestions we've received include the following list. Please let us know if any have changed or you have something to add.

- Bring some popcorn and a good exciting book and read out loud in the car. There are great biographies of missionaries and leaders of the faith written for younger ages. We can never seem to squeeze in enough time to do family reading, and this 'forced down time' could offer that.
- There is a Wal-Mart just east of the Charlestown Mall and a Jewel on the west. It is fairly close (5.6 mi @10 min). Take Rt. 59 to North Avenue. Go west and the is on the right (north) side of the street, just past Pheasant Run Resort.
- McDonalds is on the corner of RT 59 and North Avenue.
- Steak and Shake is on North Avenue in front of Menards, west of RT 59.
- Old Time Pottery and Dollar Store are also on the NE corner of RT 59 and North Avenue.
- Some prefer to go east on Army Trail Road past County Farm Road to Costco (4.5 mi @7 min). There is also a Jewel at Army Trail and County Farm Roads (3.2 mi @5 min).
- Hang out at the Starbucks reading books and sipping hot chocolate.
- On the NE corner of 59 & Army Trail near the Starbucks is Bartlett Gymnastics. It's a little chaotic in the parking lot in the evening, but it might be fun to go and see the big kids (H.S. team age) practicing. It's pretty amazing what they can do at that age.

- A 1420 S. Route 59 is a Goodwill store, so if you have any discount shopping to do, or have a donation to make (they have a drive through donation door), that might be a good spot.
- Bartlett Library is at 800 S. Bartlett Road (3.5 mi, @8 min). It's good if you have multiple practices to sit through.