

05-09-24 Rehearsal Notes

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IMPORTANT DATES AND DEADLINES

May 16 – 6:00 PM Spring Concert Dress Rehearsal at Edman Chapel, Wheaton, IL

All three bands must arrive by 5pm

Note: Attendance at dress rehearsal is required for inclusion in concert.

May 17 – 6:30 PM SPRING CONCERT at Edman Chapel, Wheaton, IL

All three bands must arrive by 5pm

May 23 – THURSDAY AFTER CONCERT - CADETS MUST ATTEND WITH JR, SR, SYM

Official start of SUMMER MARCHING TRIMESTER

- **Percussionists must bring any equipment they have at home. It may be reassigned for the summer. ARRIVE AT 4:30 and to help Mrs. Borow prepare for drumline practice.**
- **5pm - Marching percussion/drumline practice**
- **Band members arrive at 6 PM to do returns, etc. CADETS MUST ALSO ATTEND !!!**
- **ANNUAL INSTRUMENT INVENTORY/CHECK, CONCERT MUSIC RETURN, MARCHING MUSIC AND HAT DISTRIBUTION**
- **DO NOT return/bring these things to the Borow house or ask them to do return for you.**
- **Those new to WSHSB need not arrive until 7:15**
- Preliminary marching practice - **bring your instrument, lyre and loaded flip-folder**. All marching musicians must attend this preliminary marching practice.
- Approx. 15 minute Corpus Christi rehearsal. Participants, bring **instrument, lyre and loaded flip-folder**
- Rehearsal with all those playing for either football game. Bring **instrument, lyre and flip-folder**

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- **5-6pm** TWO one hour, rhythm classes, wind with percussion
All are welcome to take advantage before starting summer audition prep
The two rhythm classes are one each for the "Gold" EE book and "Red" EE book
These two simultaneous **rhythm classes are 5-6pm**. Winds are done at 6.
- **6 to 7pm there is MANDATORY drumline practice to prepare for marching. All marching percussionists MUST attend this drumline practice.**

NO Sweeping Assignment for Dress Rehearsal

DRESS REHEARSAL AND SPRING CONCERT INFORMATION

Since there is so much information specifically for the dress rehearsal and Winter Concert, **which are both at the Edman Memorial Chapel at Wheaton College, Wheaton, IL** it is all contained in a separate document, "2023-2024 Spring Rehearsal – Concert Information." It is accessible from our Member's News page along with the 05-09-24 Rehearsal Notes. Parents and students need to review the document so all know what to expect. Every concert is a little bit different, especially in the area of logistics.

ALL MEMBERS MUST WEAR FULL CONCERT DRESS TO BOTH THE DRESS REHEARSAL AND CONCERT

*******BOOSTER JOBS STILL NEEDING VOLUNTEERS*******

Sign-up at [Sign-Up Schedule Link](#)

05-17 – SPRING CONCERT

1 slot for Greet/Lobby Table/ticket collection

2 slots for Ushers

1 slot for Clean-up

1 slot for Percussion trailer loading supervisor

05-23 – FINAL COLLECTION/MARCHING KICK-OFF

1 slot for Instrument Collection Helper

9 slots for Music collector/sorter

PARENTS' HELP NEEDED ON MUSIC RETURN NIGHT MAY 23

We have NO Safety Marshals for May 23. We are requesting any parents who sit in their cars waiting during this time, to please help us and act as Safety Marshals of the parking lot. Please impress upon

all students and adults to stay inside – not loitering /visiting outdoors. Adults in cars are fine. Students may remain in a car with a parent. We do not have the manpower to supervise in multiple locations and we are not a drop-off place.



POST-CONCERT CELEBRATION - After the concert we will meet 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; 235 E. North Avenue, Glendale Heights. Given the current situation with lower staff numbers, please be patient as the speed of service may not be what we're accustomed to.

NO Percussionists, JR, SR and SYM, are to leave Edman until they finish loading the trailer.

All others please get yourselves over to Portillo's sooner than later so you have plenty of time to eat and socialize before we must leave.

SUMMER '24 SONGS

PROCESSION	MARCHING	FOOTBALL
O Salutaris (<i>in church</i>)	Zacatecas	Star Spangled Banner (<i>if requested</i>)
Tantum Ergo (<i>during proc</i>)	And Dance	Rah Rah (<i>Stand cheers</i>)
Holy God We Praise thy Name (<i>back in church</i>)	American Pride	Quickstand Pak (<i>Stand cheers</i>)
	God Bless America	Zacatecas
	Cadences (<i>Percussion only</i>)	And Dance
		American Pride
		God Bless America
		Proud Mary
		Hey Song
		Think
		Sweet Caroline
		Rawhide
		Swanee
		Sweet Home Chicago
		Sweet Georgia Brown
		Boogie Shoes
		Hawaii 5 0
		September Paul Simon Go Northwestern (<i>touchdowns</i>)

All songs above have been passed out except those grayed-out in the FOOTBALL column. They will be in the bin folders on 5/23. Some songs are to be kept from this trimester's music depending on performances which include: Star Spangled Banner (football only), Zacatecas and American Pride. Keep God Bless America if marching size, return if full size. You will be given marching size or get it at band/camp.

NO SECTIONALS FOR 05-16-23

MUSIC NOTES

Cadets

CADET FAMILIES ARE INVITED TO CONCERT

Friday, May 17, 6:30pm, is the night of the Spring Concert at Edman Chapel at Wheaton College, Wheaton, IL. We hope you will be able to attend. If that date does not work you may attend the dress rehearsal on Thursday, May 16, 6pm, but you would need to through the door on the north side of the building, adjacent to the parking lot. On the night of the concert, only band members use this back door. All other family members and concertgoers must enter the auditorium through Edman's main

doors. We hope to see you there. If you come to the Concert, consider joining us at Portillo's afterwards.

Cadet families, be sure to continue to read the Rehearsal Notes.

VERY IMPORTANT- Cadets must come on May 23

May 23 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 **6:00pm** to do returns, etc. All marching percussionists must arrive earlier at **5:00pm** for Summer Marching drumline practice.

- **6:00 – 7:30pm** Return completed Cadet Music Return Form along with sheet music for **Vandivere Fanfare, Dragon Slayer, and Dancin' on the Bayou**. The fine for 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 (Cadets included) of all WSHSB rental/loaner instruments (**whether keeping or returning**) for the **ANNUAL INSTRUMENT INVENTORY/CHECK**.
- Return of any/all other band property
- Music filing/organizing by parent volunteers
- **Approx. 7:30pm - Cadets** coming to marching camp **MUST ATTEND** on 5/23 for preliminary marching camp practice. **Bring your instrument, lyre and flip-folder loaded with your music**

Those not marching may leave after they have completed their return(s).

NOTE TO CADET PARENTS: The sooner you start this, the better. Review the Junior audition requirements with your student. It would be most productive to have them start practicing now. At the top of our Audition webpage see the document "Suggested Strategy for Auditioning." **Reminder:** Correctly performing rhythms is a large factor in audition results and overall progression as a musician. It is essential for those interested in placing higher within any band or moving up a band.

WATCH THIS AUDITION AID VIDEO LINK – Here is the link to a helpful YouTube created by past WSHSB members – LINK → [How to Audition for the WSHSB](#)

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## **Notes to Junior, Senior, and Symphonic bands – CONCERT REMINDERS FOR ALL**

1. **Attention all Second Chair people** - 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. **Cummerbunds and bowties** - **Cummerbunds and bow ties were distributed at practice on May 9.** 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.
4. **Review Dress Code and check fit of clothes NOW – shirt, pants, etc** - Remember, **FULL CONCERT DRESS is to be worn to Dress Rehearsal AND Concert** and you will be observed for compliance. Mrs. WP wants to remind all of what our Dress code states –  
**\*Only solid white or flesh-tone undergarments.** Other colors show through.  
**\*If wearing pants, you must wear black crew socks.** When you sit down, no leg should be showing.
5. **ANY BAND AWARDS** that you want to wear on your uniform **MUST BE ATTACHED TO THE RED AWARD RIBBON**. Attach the red award ribbon to the top, left side of your shirt (or jacket) even with the point of your collar. Ribbon replacement fee is \$1. **All awards must fit on ribbons!**

There is an **EXCEPTION FOR ONLY SYMPHONIC GRADUATING SENIORS;** – You may wear awards anywhere on the upper left breast of the jacket, with no medal lower than the bottom edge of the pocket. Nothing should be on the collar, lapel or sleeve

6. **Lyre and Flip Folders needed for Concert** - Standing wind musicians from Junior, 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.
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.

### Junior (see notes above)

\*\*\*\*\*PRACTICE DAILY WITH LINKS SENT IN 02/04/24 EMAIL\*\*\*\*\*

Star Spangled Banner  
 Morpheus  
 Three Welsh Chorales  
 Theme from New York, New York,  
 Fascinating Rhythm  
 Step to the Rear  
 Sunnyland Overture  
 COMBINED  
 Zacatecas  
 God Bless America  
 ENCORE American Pride  
*The following songs have been cut*  
 Schumann Suite, The

### Senior (see notes above)

\*\*\*\*\*PRACTICE DAILY WITH LINKS SENT IN 02/04/24 EMAIL\*\*\*\*\*

Star Spangled Banner  
 First Suite in Eb  
 Chorale Prelude  
 Jump, Jive an' Swing  
 Pink Panther  
 The Great Locomotive Chase  
 Italian Holiday  
 COMBINED  
 Zacatecas  
 God Bless America  
 ENCORE American Pride  
*The following songs have been cut*  
 Volare

### Symphonic (see notes above)

\*\*\*\*\*PRACTICE DAILY WITH LINKS SENT IN 02/04/24 EMAIL\*\*\*\*\*

Star Spangled Banner  
 Scherzo from Symphony #4 (Bruckner)  
 Morceau de Concert (*French horn solo Rebekah S*)  
 Abide with Me  
 Top of the World  
 Amor, Amor, Amor  
 El Capitan  
 Sway  
 Holding Out for a Hero  
 1812 Overture

COMBINED  
Zacatecas  
God Bless America  
ENCORE American Pride  
*The following songs have been cut*  
American Pageant  
Divinum Mysterium  
Galop

## GENERAL NOTES

### WSHSB PHOTO GALLERY

Over the years, the band has collected precious music moments through photos. Please help us continue this tradition by adding your photos to our gallery. Photos are arranged by folders i.e. "2024 Cadet Spring Concert". If you prefer, you can email photos to [wshsbphotos@gmail.com](mailto:wshsbphotos@gmail.com) or upload with the hyperlink found on our private Face book site. Due to privacy concerns, we are not posting this link in the notes or on website. Link will also be included in an email from the director.

If you have any questions please contact Pam Gustafson 847-847-2740.

### RECRUITING FLYER HELP NEEDED

On our Member's News page, in addition to the Concert Tickets and Flyers you'll find a Summer Recruiting Flyer. Please print some and take them to **post at homeschool co-ops like Greenhouse and G.I.F.T.** In addition ask at libraries, and 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.

**We need everyone's help in recruiting.** While the fittings are generally for Cadets we definitely need experienced players too. Along with posting flyers please share this information with home school parents of potential band members. Tell them to call Mrs. Borow for an Instrument Fitting appointment. The remaining instrument fitting/tryout dates, by appointment only, 9am-6pm, are 5/28, 6/25, 7/30, 8/27 and 9/5.

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**June 12, 13, 14 - MANDATORY PRE-CAMPS** at DuPage County Fair Grounds, **9am to 12pm each day**  
**Enter off Manchester, via Gate S7 at the SE corner of the Fairgrounds**

**6/12** – Newcomer Camp for all students new to WSHSB Marching Band  
(helpers welcome)

**6/13** – Percussion Camp – required for all current and new marching percussionists

**6/14** – Rank Leader Camp – for those who've been rank leaders before and volunteer to offer their services in the training of new marchers, also Senior or Symphonic band members interested in being a rank leader.

Attendance on this day **WILL NOT GUARANTEE** your role as a rank leader in marching camp or at parades.

The director will decide and assign rank leaders based on multiple criteria including: actual marching ability, leadership skills, marching camp attendance as well as prior AND current parade commitments.

**June 6/17 through 6/21 – FULL MARCHING BAND CAMP** at DuPage County Fair Grounds,  
**9am to 12pm each day. Enter off Manchester, via Gate S7 at the SE corner of the Fairgrounds**

### **PARADES**

We are marching in four parades –

**Geneva Swedish Days** – Sunday, June 23. Arrive no later than noon. **Step-off** 1pm.

**Warrenville Independence Day Parade** – Wednesday, July 3. Arrive no later than 5. **Step-off** 6pm.

**Streamwood Summer Celebration** – Saturday, July 27. Arrive no later than 9:30. **Step-off** 10:30am.

**Elk Grove Village Hometown Parade** – Saturday, September 21. Arrive no later than 1.  
**Step-off** 2pm.

We will be playing for two Crossroads **football games** on September 28 and October 12.

Locations and times to be announced.

**NOTE: Playing for potential football games is open to ONLY those who have participated in marching band.**

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