

10-10-24 Rehearsal Notes

IMPORTANT DATES AND DEADLINES

October 11 – FRIDAY – Band Apparel order deadline 11:59pm CST.

October 12 – Saturday Crossroads Football game 2pm

Aurora Central Catholic High School
1225 N. Edgelawn Drive; Aurora, IL 60506

Meet in parking lot at 1pm for rehearsal

October 17 – Collection of all summer music with a completed Music Return Form

Instructions are coming in the Rehearsal Notes. Form coming.

November 7 -- Band Apparel orders delivered at band

November 12 – Tuesday 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 21 - Cadets' Winter Performance Dress Rehearsal

Regular practices for Concert Junior, Concert Senior and Symphonic

November 28 – NO BAND Happy Thanksgiving

November 29 – Friday evening – CONFIRMED – Wheaton Christmas Parade

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

December 2 - Spring trimester, BOOSTER VOLUNTEER JOBS to be RELEASED at 7pm. First come, first served.

December 5 - Cadets' Winter Performance – Location Marvin Hall upstairs at Resurrection

AND Regular practices for Concert Junior, Concert Senior and Symphonic

Sweeping Assignment for next rehearsal after Symphonic band

You must get a sub if you will not be there. 10/17 Elizabeth W

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**DAILY PRACTICE SHOULD BE #1 PRIORITY FOR ALL**  
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APPAREL ORDER DEADLINE

Order deadline is 11:59pm on October 11 for distribution on November 7. There is a personalization option for select t-shirts and hoodies.. See more details in the Opening Letter.

ORDER LINK → <https://hyperstitch.com/category/schools/west-suburban-home-school-band/>

Email or call/text Mrs. Herrera with any questions; her number is in the Opening Letter.

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**Read in General Notes further down for 10/12 Football Game basics.**  
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BAND DIRECTORY DISTRIBUTED - On 10-10-24 the oldest child or solo adult helper from every family received a copy of the 2024-2025 Band Directory in their music folder. If you did not get yours pick it up next week. **Parents**, please ask your child for the directory and **KEEP IT IN A SAFE PLACE FOR THE YEAR. IT IS THE ONLY COPY YOU WILL RECEIVE.** During the year the director receives many, many requests for phone numbers, email addresses, etc., all of which are in the directory. Please help avoid this extra work by knowing where your directory is and using it. **This is a confidential list.** Read in the Handbook regarding the proper use of this contact information. **Since email is an important form of band communication; if you change your email address, be sure to let us know. The same is true for any phone number change.** Also, we apologize if your band or level is listed incorrectly in the directory. Do not contact anyone about this.

SECTIONALS FOR 10-17-24

Cadet	4:45-5:00pm	Evaluations	See notes
Junior	5:45-6:00pm	KITCHEN	Trumpets
Junior	5:45-6:00pm	UNDER STAIRS	Saxes
Senior	6:45-7:00pm	KITCHEN	Trumpets
Senior	6:45-7:00pm	UTILITY ROOM	Baritones
Senior	6:45-7:00pm	UNDER STAIRS	Alto saxes
Symphonic	7:45-8:00pm	KITCHEN	Clarinets
Symphonic	7:45-8:00pm	UTILITY ROOM	Flutes
Symphonic	7:45-8:00pm	UNDER STAIRS	Trumpets

MUSIC NOTES

Cadets

SECTIONALS – 4:45-5:00pm Evaluations will begin during this Sectional time starting at 4:45.

NOTICE– CADET EVALUATIONS will be held on 10/17.

Early arrivals will be required to BEGIN EVALUATIONS at 4:45 pm sharp!

- Observed for posture, instrument hold, hand position and embouchure
- Pg. 6, perform 5 notes in review,
- Pg. 6, play Ex 18 Go Tell Aunt Rhodie
- Pg. 6, clap Ex 15 Rhythm Rap while the helper keeps the tempo with their foot
- Recite letter names for lines and spaces as shown in Rehearsal Notes
- Observed for note accuracy plus tonguing for winds, sticking for perc,
EVALUATORS: Cadet Evaluation Form can be found on our Member's News Page

PARENTS, WE NEED YOUR HELP

A very small percentage of students reported that they actually practiced with the recordings *On our Music Resources page is a link to a PDF that explains how to access the play-along tracks and tools to use with Essential Elements. The director expects all Cadets to always play along with these recordings. We've included the link for you → [ABOUT ESSENTIAL ELEMENTS "MY EE LIBRARY"](#) **Practicing with recordings should help the student HEAR if they are playing the notes correctly.***

BRING A SHARPENED PENCIL for making marking in the notes and making notations on music. Nothing other than pencil markings are to be made.

FOR HOMEWORK –

1. Work on pages 8 and 9 and **play along with recordings**. Adjust tempo if you are able.
Complete Exercise 32. Review the YELLOW boxes.
WRITE IN THE LETTER NAMES OF NOTES on exercises if helpful.
2. All brass instruments, practice lip slurs, ex. 1-9.
3. Review Rhythm Studies pg 42, clapping lines 5, 9 and 13
4. **All percussionists watch for email** with assignment from Mrs. Talbot.
5. Complete Homework Handouts
6. HELPERS – Ask your section members for their Homework Handout assignments and review them
7. **Practice these songs daily for Cadet Performance**
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
 - 31 Mozart Melody
 - 38 Jingle Bells - ENCORE

NOTE to BRASS: WORK ON LIP SLURS – See definition of lip slurs on page 24 of Essential Elements. All brass players must learn to move up and down in pitch by loosening and tightening their lips. Doing this is called a lip slur. Different notes often have the same fingerings. Focus on the trial & error of moving your lips (tightening/loosening) to match the required notes in the exercises. It will take regular practice to reach the notes.

CADETS AND PARENTS, be sure to also read the General Notes further down.

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

**\*\*\*\*\*COLLECTIONS ON OCTOBER 17\*\*\*\*\***

**If for any reason you cannot come on 10/17 and have things to return, get them to another member so they can return them for you. All the music is sorted and filed that night and late returns cause a tremendous amount of extra work.**

**If you received music for ANY of the following summer events it ALL must be returned on 10/17.**

- 1. Any summer parade (includes marching camp)**
- 2. Football game(s)**
- 3. Corpus Christi Procession**

- Carefully complete the **Summer Music Return Form** (found on MEMBER'S NEWS or FORMS/DOCUMENTS) and clip it to all your summer music. **Put music in the order listed.** If know you are missing any music or have any music that is damaged bring directly it to the **Fines** person. If nothing is damaged or missing, drop in any bin on the table along the closet wall to your left as you enter. Fines apply for missing or damaged music and may be paid by **cash or check**. Bring exact change please; singles or fives not twenties. **All Fines will be due on October 17.**

**On 10/17, upon your arrival, also return the following**

- Return laundered marching hat **WASHED AND FULLY DRIED** or pay **\$20 fine** for unreturned/missing hat. Your return must be noted at front table.
- If you happen to have a cummerbund, return it now.
- Return Wind instruments loaned out for summer marching, etc.
- Return Summer marching percussion equipment. **EXCEPTION:** Percussion – **if you are playing in the Wheaton light up parade** and are assigned to the same percussion instrument, you can keep what's been issued to you.

**If you didn't do the following on 9/19, do so on 10/17**

- Return ALL audition music and packets.
- Return black band pants and Symphonic Blue jackets if outgrown or no longer needed.

**RULE FOR RETURNING JACKETS AND PANTS** – If you have outgrown your blue Symphonic jacket or are returning it for any reason, return it with \$5 cash and we will have the jacket dry-cleaned. Band-owned pants are also dry-clean only and should also be returned with \$2 cash per pair of pants. All returns should be made to one of the Jacket/Pants coordinators, NOT MRS. BOROW.

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Keep all Concert music below until collection day whether we play it or not.

MUSIC MISSING? Songs are listed below. If you are missing any of the following songs please email Mrs. Borow (director@wshsb.org) as soon as possible. She will put it in your music folder. **DO NOT WAIT UNTIL NEXT REHEARSAL TO TELL HER.**

MUSIC CUT OFF? Email Mrs. Borow with any titles and page numbers where you are missing the bottom of the page. She will put replacement pages in your music folder

BRING TUNERS

Bring your own tuner each week and tune your instrument before your band time begins.

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### **Junior (see notes above)**

**SECTIONALS – 5:45-6:00pm - KITCHEN – Trumpets on The Thunderer and Rondeau**

**UNDER STAIRS – Saxes on The Thunderer G to the end**

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

**\*\*\*\*\*PRACTICE DAILY WITH LINKS SENT IN 10/09/24 EMAIL \*\*\*\*\***

**Everyone must bring their RED EE BOOK**

**RED EE BOOK** – review p. 6,7 Ex. 20-23 and 25-27 Rhythm lines 9,13,17

Star Spangled Banner

QUIZ- Trumpets at C

God Bless America

QUIZ – measures 1 to 18

Clash and Roar

Huron Carol, The

New World Symphony, Themes from The

Put Your Hand in the Hand

Rondeau

Samba Sauce

Thunderer, The

Trombone Boogie

COMBINED

You're A Grand Old Flag (Encore)

**ONLY THOSE MARCHING IN THE PARADE SHOULD PLAY THESE TWO SONGS AT REHEARSAL**

**DO NOT PLAY IF YOU ARE NOT SIGNED UP**

**We Need a Little Christmas** for parade

**Christmas Spectacular** for parade

*The following songs have been cut*

Liturgical Fanfare - *Continue practicing to improve it for Spring Trimester*

Strauss Waltzes *CUT*

### **Senior (see notes above)**

**SECTIONALS – 6:45-7:00pm - KITCHEN – Trumpets on Stout Hearted Men**

**UTILITY ROOM - Baritones**

**UNDER STAIRS – Alto saxes on Rock Around the Clock**

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**Everyone must bring their RED EE BOOK**

**RED EE BOOK** page 34, Ex. 163-166 key of Eb plus Chorale 156

Caribbean Skies

Hungarian Rhapsody No.2

Mary Poppins, Highlights

Peasant Life

Psalm 42

Rock Around the Clock

Stout Hearted Men

**ONLY THOSE MARCHING IN THE PARADE SHOULD PLAY THESE TWO SONGS AT REHEARSAL**

**DO NOT PLAY IF YOU ARE NOT SIGNED UP**

**We Need a Little Christmas** for parade

**Christmas Spectacular** for parade

The following songs have been cut

- Declaration Overture *Continue practicing to improve it for Spring Trimester*
- Make Me Smile *Continue practicing to improve it for Spring Trimester*
- Brighton Beach *CUT*
- Humorescapade Novelty *CUT*
- Stormy Weather *CUT*

### Symphonic (see notes above)

SECTIONALS – 7:45-8:00pm - KITCHEN – Clarinets on [Raymond](#)

UTILITY ROOM – Flutes on [Raymond](#)

UNDER STAIRS – Trumpets on [Armed Forces Salute](#)

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\*\*\*\*\***PRACTICE DAILY WITH LINKS SENT IN 10/09/24 EMAIL**\*\*\*\*\*

**Everyone must bring their RED EE BOOK**

- Abduction from the Seraglio, The
- Armed Forces Salute
- Curtain Call
- Enduring Traveler
- Girl from Ipanema, The
- Quad City Stomp
- Raymond Overture
- Spirit in the Sky
- Waka Waka (This Time for Africa)

QUIZ – Dotted eighth note at 19, 27, etc.

**ONLY THOSE MARCHING IN THE PARADE SHOULD PLAY THESE TWO SONGS AT REHEARSAL**

**DO NOT PLAY IF YOU ARE NOT SIGNED UP**

**We Need a Little Christmas** for parade

**Christmas Spectacular** for parade

## GENERAL NOTES

### FOOTBALL GAME ON 10/12

Complete instructions including WHERE, WHEN, DRESS CODE and more was sent in an email on 10/10 by the director to all participating families.

**COST:** Our musicians are free at the gate. However, friends & family will need to pay admissions (\$3 students, \$5 adults, \$20 family max).

**\*NOTE:** Put the Rah Rah Stand Cheers and Quick Stand Pak song sheets next to each other in your flip folders for easy access. We'll be playing those a lot during the game, especially the Rah Rah one and possible The Hey Song, too. And if they make a touchdown, we'll play the Go Northwestern song.

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| <b><u>FOOTBALL</u></b>                     |
| Star Spangled Banner (just in case)        |
| <b><u>RAH RAH - Stand cheers*</u></b>      |
| <b><u>QUICKSTAND PAK-Stand cheers*</u></b> |
| ZAKETEKAS                                  |
| AND DANCE                                  |
| AMERICAN PRIDE                             |
| GOD BLESS AMERICA                          |
| CADENCE PACK                               |
| PROUD MARY                                 |

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| HEY SONG *                    |
| THINK                         |
| SWEET CAROLINE                |
| RAWHIDE                       |
| SWANEE                        |
| SWEET HOME CHICAGO            |
| SWEET GEORGIA BROWN           |
| BOOGIE SHOES                  |
| HAWAII 5 0                    |
| SEPTEMBER                     |
| PAUL SIMON                    |
| GO Northwestern! (touchdowns) |

## ABOUT THE SOLO AND ENSEMBLE CONTEST (SEC)

Our annual Solo and Ensemble Contest is an exciting and much anticipated musical event. Our 24th annual SEC will be held on a **Saturday, March 15, 2025, 9am to @2:30pm**. Location is Christ Presbyterian Church, 903 E. Nerge Rd., Roselle 60172. ALL band members, Cadet through Symphonic, are encouraged to participate in the SEC. Students have the opportunity to prepare solos and/or ensembles of their choice and perform them for a judge who then rates their performance. There is no competition; rather, students strive for their personal best. Judge's decisions are final. **Start planning NOW! SEC Online registration will start December 5 and end February 13, 2025. All fees are due by February 20, 2025.**

**Mrs. Borow will be bringing a file of Band-owned ensembles for borrowing short-term. Copy and return so they are available for others to see.**

## JACKET AND PANTS FITTING

We hold a jacket and pants fitting **only once a year**. The jackets are for Symphonic members while the pants are available for any band member. After this one and only fitting opportunity everything is packed away and not accessible. This year's fitting date is **Tuesday, November 12, 7:30 - 8:30 pm**. **YOU WILL NEED TO SIGN-UP IF COMING**. The sign-up sheet is at the front table.

The director wishes to emphasize that the band has over 100 pairs of pants to lend. Whether for concerts or looking ahead to marching, you should think about this now as November 12 is the only fitting date. This fitting happens annually. If you are concerned you might need a larger size later in the year she said you can take two pair. You need to sign-up to try them on, on November 12.

## MUSIC LINKS FOR ALL THREE BANDS

We will be sending out a document containing links for the Winter Concert to all families in the coming week or so. In the meantime, some can be found at [Past WSHSB Concert Performances](#), on JW Pepper, YouTube and Stantons. Make sure you are using the correct arrangement/arranger.

## MUSIC – INSTRUMENT-REPAIR SHOPS

This document can be found on our FORMS/OCUMENTS page  
In a week or so a list of Private Music Instructors will be emailed to all band families since it contains private information.

## MAKE USE OF OUR ARCHIVE

To see past Rehearsal Notes visit the Rehearsal Notes Archive page on our website.