

10-15-20 Rehearsal Notes

EVERY BAND SHOULD PRACTICE WITH RECORDINGS DURING THEIR DAILY PRACTICE TIME

The director is noticing a big problem across all bands. Songs start out on tempo but continue to slow down until they are dragging at the end. Playing with the recordings (or at least a metronome) should help correct this problem.

Cadets should use recordings on their CD if they have one; otherwise use this link

<https://www.halleonard.com/ee2000Band.jsp> to access mp3 files for Essential Elements for all instruments.

Junior, Senior and Symphonic should use the links emailed to them on 10/03/20

If you cannot yet play at the recording tempo, then just play your parts, using a metronome to keep a steady tempo. Listen to the recordings to become more familiar and use them as a goal.

ALL BANDS - Percussion in particular and all winds in general:
practice playing lighter, softer and faster

CHAIR POSITIONS AT JOURNEY – There is a new system to keep track of the church's original chair positions in the worship/rehearsal space. We're using blue tape on the floor to mark where chairs need to go after rehearsal. Do NOT remove any of the blue tape.

BAND DIRECTORY DISTRIBUTED - On 10-15-20 the oldest child from every family received a copy of the 2020-2021 Band Directory in their music folder. **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.

IMPORTANT DATES AND DEADLINES

November 10 – **ANNUAL EVENT** 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 26 – **NO BAND** in observance of Thanksgiving Day - **Happy Thanksgiving!**

November 27 – **NOT YET CONFIRMED** Waiting to hear from Wheaton if there will be a Light-Up parade this year.

Sweeping/Trash Assignments for next rehearsal after Symphonic band

***NOTE* the back door locks, so one person holds the door open while the other puts trash in the bin**

You must get a sub if you will not be there. 10/22 – Eli O, Aaron F

SECTIONALS FOR 10-22-20

Cadet	5:00-5:15pm	Trumpets	Hallway
Cadet	5:00-5:15pm	Percussion on pads	Entry hall
Junior	5:45-6:00pm	Oboes	Hallway
Senior	6:45-7:00pm	Percussion on pads	Hallway
Senior	6:45-7:00pm	Trumpets	Entry hall
Symphonic	7:45-8:00pm	Barber soloists	Hallway

MUSIC NOTES

Cadets

SECTIONALS - 5:00-5:15pm BATHROOM HALL – Trumpets w/Stephen, work on lip slurs
and how to play higher
ENTRY HALL – Percussion on pads w/Evan – work on Performance songs

FOR HOMEWORK

NOTE – At band on 10/22 we will play the Performance songs first
and then we'll do the homework and rhythm lines.
Only 5 more rehearsals prior to dress rehearsal.

- 1. YOU MUST PRACTICE WITH RECORDINGS!** Work on pages 10 and 11 and play along with recordings. Adjust tempo if you are able. There is no new material presented on these two pages, use this week to review the ALL your notes and concepts and the Performance songs as listed.
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 9 and 13
4. **Brass** – continue practicing lip slurs: alternating exercise 1 and exercise 9
5. **Practice these songs daily for the Cadet Performance on December 10**
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 – LIP SLURS - IMPORTANT: 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. 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.

For all brass, except Eb tubas, this can be practiced using the book going back and forth from the note in Exercise 1 to the note in Exercise 9. Eb tubas will not have a lip slur until your lesson includes high Bb. You will then need to lip slur from Bb to Eb.

See past notes in our online Rehearsal Notes Archive for more info about accessing song recordings and the mnemonic aids for How to Recognize Notes on the staff.

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

Notes to Junior, Senior, and Symphonic bands –

AUDITION CDS can be picked up at the front tables.

BRING TUNERS - Bring your own tuner each week and tune your instrument before your band time begins. We won't have tuners at the front table anymore due to covid.

Junior (see notes above)

SECTIONALS – 5:45-6:00pm BATHROOM HALL - Oboes w/Rebecca work on intonation

*******PRACTICE DAILY WITH LINKS SENT IN 10/03/20 EMAIL*******

RED EE BOOK – Announced by director on the spot.

***NEW* 10/15** Colonel Bogey - all 3 bands

Fanfare and Presto

DO NOT PLAY AT REST AT 60!

***NEW* 10/15** God Bless America - all 3 bands

Happy Polka

No drums on first four measures. Starting at measure 5 - 1 snare, 1 bass, all others on sticks on rims

Note to bass drum and snare, PLEASE WATCH DIRECTOR! You must double the number of hits per measure. Practice playing this pattern at home.

REPEAT ADDED - Measures 5 through 28 will be repeated. Second time, play through end of song.

I Will Follow Him

Mister Joe

Old Rugged Cross, The

Star Spangled Banner

Tu Ungane

QUIZ – 2nd clarinets at 6

Veni Sul Mar

Victory Overture

Mark in an accelerando @ 85

There are incorrect notes throughout this piece.

QUIZZES - clarinets @17, baritones @38

BASS DRUM - You need to master the passage in measures 68 to 84

***NEW* 10/15** Zaketekas - all 3 bands

Senior (see notes above)

SECTIONALS – 6:45-7:00pm BATHROOM HALL, Percussion on pads with Stephen on [Klezmer Dances](#)

ENTRY HALL – Trumpets w/Matt R – general instruction

*******PRACTICE DAILY WITH LINKS SENT IN 10/03/20 EMAIL*******

RED EE BOOK – Announced by director on the spot.

***NEW* 10/15** Colonel Bogey - all 3 bands

Fiero

QUIZ – Percussion soli at 55

***NEW* 10/15** God Bless America - all 3 bands

Hall of Fame March

Klezmer Dances

ALL - Beginning and ending, practice with metronome at 138

Trumpets especially are dragging at 178.

Toby, do 1/8 note clicks at 23

Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence

Listen to recording and mark in pencil the areas in your music where your instrument has the melody

Mission Impossible

Scarlet Mask

Serengeti

NOTE: use toms on the quads instead of snare

QUIZ - shakers @66

Star Spangled Banner

***NEW* 10/15** Zaketekas- all 3 bands

Symphonic (see notes above)

SECTIONALS – 7:45-8:00pm BATHROOM HALL, [Barber of Seville](#), only soloists w/Franko

***** **PRACTICE DAILY WITH LINKS SENT IN 10/03/20 EMAIL** *****

RED EE BOOK – Bring to band every week for possible warm-ups.

NOTE: *The beginning concert order will be*

[Carmina Burana](#) > [Don't Stop Believing](#) > [Star Spangled Banner](#), all played as one

Barber of Seville

Expect accelerando after measure 225

Beautiful Savior

Cut off last 2 measures

***NEW* 10/15** Carmina Burana mvt 1 – SYM only

***NEW* 10/15** Colonel Bogey- all 3 bands

Don't Stop Believing

Practice w/ metronome at 132

***NEW* 10/15** God Bless America - all 3 bands

***NEW* 10/15** Happy Birthday – SYM only

I Will Survive

Only tubas and trombones play during the singing

Illiad, The

King Cotton

Practice with metronome, keeping even tempo throughout

QUIZ - snare and crash @ 72

South Rampart Street

Star Spangled Banner

Yama Midori

Practice w/ metronome at 132

***NEW* 10/15** Zaketekas - all 3 bands

GENERAL NOTES

REGARDING ABSENCE NOTICES

If you're going to be absent, email both the director and Mrs. Szklanecki. Do not call the director on Thursday afternoon when she is preparing to leave for band.

REGARDING OUTERWEAR JACKETS - The temperature is cooling and there are no coat racks at Journey. Everyone is to hang their jacket on the back of their chair. **DO NOT** leave it with your instrument case. **MAKE SURE YOUR JACKET IS LABELED!**

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 10, 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 10 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 10.

HEARING PROTECTION

Due to the new/different acoustics at Journey, the decibel level is reaching higher levels than at Resurrection. Seriously consider wearing ear protection to avoid hearing loss. There are ear plugs which are specifically designed for musicians. They reduce the sound level by 20 decibels but still allow you to hear clearly.

A good number of band members have worn these every week in band for years (and other loud events like football games and movies). They're comfortable and effective. The drum and bugle corps and college bands now issue them to all their members.

Here are a couple links. They sell for \$13.95 on Amazon [Etymotic High Fidelity Earplugs](#). Individual Etymotic plugs are more expensive on the [ETYMOTIC website](#), with quantity discounts available.

PRIVATE MUSIC INSTRUCTOR LIST This document is being updated and will be emailed to all families since it contains personal information. Hopefully it should be ready by November at the latest. If you need a copy right now, email Mrs. Mergen and she'll send it to you. You'll get the updated one when it's finished.

IDEAS FOR PASSING TIME - In the past moms of small children wondered what to do/where to go during band time. Unfortunately there are no libraries nearby. 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.

Following is a list of stores and restaurants you might find helpful. Current as of 10/2/20. Eat-in possibility and drive-thru availability are noted where known. Call to verify/check hours and services.

Corner of North Avenue (Rt 64) and Route 53 (Rohlwing Rd) in LOMBARD

- SE corner – Burger King eat-in and drive- thru
- NE corner – Mc Donald's drive- thru
- NW corner facing North Ave. – Jimmy John's open until 8pm

5 minutes from Journey in Lombard

- East on North Avenue (Rt 64) at Grace St.
- NW corner - CVS Drug Store
- Starbucks open until 7:30

7 to 8 minutes from Journey in GLENDALE HEIGHTS

- West on North Avenue (Rt 64) at Main St Glen Ellyn/Glen Ellyn Rd.
 - SW corner – Wendy's drive thru
 - Menard's open until 9pm
 - Goodwill open until 7pm
 - NW corner - La Rosita Grocery Store (Mexican) open until 8pm
 - Freddy's Frozen Custard and Burgers eat-in and drive-thru, open until 10pm
- West on North Avenue (Rt 64) at Bloomingdale Rd.
 - SE corner – Portillo's/Barnelli's eat-in and drive-thru, open until 11pm
 - Mc Donald's drive-thru
 - SW corner – Valli Produce International Fresh Market (very large grocery store) open until 9pm
 - Burger King eat-in and drive-thru
 - Taco Bell drive-thru
 - Family Dollar and a Dollar Tree
 - NE corner – CVS Drug Store
- 1 light further west, SW corner North Ave at Schmale Rd./Main St. Wheaton is
 - Caputo's (very large grocery store) open until 9:30 pm

The following are 9 to 10 minutes north of Journey in ADDISON

Light just south of Lake St. on the west side of Rt. 53 (Rohlwing Rd)

Sam's Club open until 8pm
Goodwill open until 7pm
Aldi's open until 8pm
Walmart open until 10
Panda Express
Game Stop
Wingstop
Chipotle

South side of Lake St just east of Rt 53
IHOP eat-in, open until 10pm
Famous Dave's BBQ

North side of Lake St. just east of Rt 53
Dunkin' Donuts/Baskin Robbins
Panera Bread
Starbucks