

Monday Music Notes Week 4

9/5/17

Hey Mustangs – I hope your Labor Day Holiday was full of memorable times with friends and family. We deserve it! The first few weeks of school have been filled with hard work and SPIRIT! Friday was awesome with the pep rally, playing tests, productive rehearsal and a jammin' first half! Too bad the skies opened just prior to our halftime performance – I could tell by the warm-up it was going to be a strong run.....that's OK, we'll channel it into a great run THIS Friday with cross-town rivals Southeast HS in our house! They are confirmed to be here, they will perform some of their show and we will have our first 3rd Quarter Drum-Off of the year! It will be an EPIC event! Our plan is to perform parts 1 *and* 2 of REDEMPTION!

Home Game this week vs. Southeast HS! See details below..... Be Prepared! 100% attendance and 100% FOCUS on the details make us the outstanding band program that we are!

Saturday mini-camp 1-8 pm! We will continue to add to and refine our show, parts 1 and 2. Our first competition at Durant High School is just 4 weeks away!

FORMAL WEAR FITTING Mrs. Lisa Edenfield will be in during 2nd and 3rd period Thursday and Friday the 7th and 8th to give custom fittings for our Wind Ensemble, Symphonic and Jazz Band students. Make sure that you have the 85.00 or 20.00 check with you at the fitting!!

LRBBA Booster Meeting #1 Tomorrow! 7:30pm in the Band Room for ALL Band Parents. Be There!

MVP 11/Part 1 must be posted on Video for section leader Check-Offs - Submissions due by midnight Thursday
MVP 11, bpm=240, Redemption 1 show tempos.
Failure to do so consequence: Loss of 3rd Quarter break. You must stay in stands, food will be brought to you.

MMB will be in FULL Uniform for the SEHS game!

Band – Black LONG socks, SHOW shirt, Black Plume, Black Gloves. Cap in stands, Shako/Plume on the field

Guard – FIRE Uniform, tights, gloves, shoes (change into Friday nights in trailer for second half)

ALL MMB members – Show Hair (band - single French Braid for girls, neat cut for boys) and Makeup.

Weekly Schedule

TUESDAY

6-9pm - Percussion and Guard rehearsal

7:30pm – LRBBA Booster Meeting

WEDNESDAY

12:30-3 – Early release, WW and Brass Rehearsal. Memorization and refinement of Parts 1&2, drill

THURSDAY

6-9pm – Full Marching Band and Color Guard Rehearsal

FRIDAY

Southeast HS Football game!!! - 4pm Rehearsal downbeat

SATURDAY

12:00pm – Band room opens. Drum Majors, Leadership set up for rehearsal

1:00pm – WW/Brass/Percussion Basics + Warm-up, Pit and Guard with Staff

1:45pm – Band and Guard Visual Block

4:15pm – Dinner Break **on Campus** – plan for food accordingly

5:00pm – Guard on Asphalt, Music sectionals MVP 3&4, show Parts 2&3 memorization

6:00pm - Ensemble Rehearsal on Asphalt

8:00pm – Meet, Clean Up, Dismiss

THE 2017 MUSTANG MARCHING BAND

Our rehearsals are very important; they set us up to perform the many things that performances require. **Members are expected to attend EVERY MMB rehearsal.** They are not “optional”. If there is an unavoidable conflict, PARENTS ONLY notify Mr. Lambert at lambertr@manateeschools.net or 941-727-6100 x 2029.

SYSTEM + SPIRIT = SUCCESS!!

We want to be sure to have our SYSTEMS in place now. That involves how and when we do things. Everything from arriving early, signing in, wearing proper attire, rehearsal etiquette, attitude and preparation and paying attention make up the Mustang Marching Band (MMB) Systems. Your participation and SPIRIT are the ingredient that make it all FUN and worthwhile.

YOUR SAFETY IS A PRIORITY!

Prepare for the Florida climate. Wear light clothing and a hat! We might get a little wet so an extra tee shirt might be a good idea. HYDRATE! Begin your water intake the evening before so that you are ready for the elements. **Have your Coleman water jug with you at all times** so that you don't have to take yourself out of our productive rehearsals to stay fresh. **Eat well before you arrive. Pack a nutritious meal for dinner, eat when you leave.**

ALL Brass and WW players must have their black towels for rehearsals. It is NOT good for your instrument to lay on Concrete/Asphalt at any time. Have your tuner and oils, greases and reeds.

100% compliance from 100% of the band is a great formula for success! That's all I accept.

LEADERSHIP:

1. Let's continue this great start. Be Early, Set an Example, Be There for YOUR band!
2. Officers & Section Leader Meetings are EVERY Thursday, 5:30pm

Marching Band Flip-Folders

ALL MMB members with music in the stands = 100% clean notes, rhythms and phrases!

Additional Flip Folders and Lyres are in!!! See your section leader to get one.

Make sure you have the following in your flip folder: Alma Mater, National Anthem, Fight Song, Let's Go Mustangs, Charge, Shut Up and Dance, Iron Man, Mortal Combat, Troy, Lakewood Ranch, 1000 Dances, John Cena

See your section leader and/or band librarians for help, RETURN ALL FLIPS at the END of the SEASON

Marching Mustang Home Game Expectations.....

The Mustang Trailers

Loading

With cased instrument in hand, form a single line in reverse score order (brass then woodwinds), away from the back of the trailer. Tuba and Drum line load at the side door. Tubas and drum line will be asked to come to the back of the trailer first. Once tubas and drum line are loaded, ranch hands will call for everybody else. Bring the line to the back of the trailer and become an assembly line handing each case, one at a time, until all cases are loaded. Demerits CAN be issued by ranch hands for horseplay or disrespect.

Unloading

Form a single line in reverse score order (brass then woodwinds), away from the back of the trailer with the tubas and drum line at the side door. When you are handed your case, place it on the ground in front of you and continue passing cases until all cases are unloaded. At that time drum majors, will dismiss the line to unpack or put instruments away. At performances, leave cases on the ground and report to arcs. Ranch Hands will help load the cases on the trailers. If there is prop trailer, stay clear of the back of the trailer while Ranch Hands unload.

In The Stands

Mr. Lambert's policy for stands tunes is **Everybody, All the Time.**

Let's max that standard out! **We** are the example for other students to follow. If we are lively the Student section will be too! Remember **WE** are there to support the **TEAM** and cheer them on. **SPIRIT** means Awesomeness and Excellence, *not* chaos. Have your music ready at a moment's notice. You are responsible for your instrument at all times. Stand in front of the seats. When it is time to play, stand on the seats with equal spacing between you. When the Drum Line plays a cadence, **DANCE!**

Third Quarter Break

It is our tradition (home and away) to allow you to take a break during the third quarter to get a drink and something to eat, so bring money. You must return to our stands ASAP after visiting the concession, rest rooms and supporting the Drumline show. Drum-Offs **STOP** before there are 4-minutes remaining in the 3rd Quarter so that we can be **SET** to play *The Horse* on the **downbeat** of the 4th Quarter. No ifs, ands or buts.

Anyone not ready to play on time will lose next week's 3rd Quarter privilege.

After The Game

When the clock goes to zero signaling the end of the game, we play our Fight Song w/great spirit and precision, win or lose. Once the football team is ready, they come over to us and we play the Alma Mater to/for them. Afterwards, we form the tunnel back then march **in 2 files** back to the flagpoles. There shall be **NO** horse-play here! Once I am done with final announcements you will be dismissed.

There is a 30-minute pick-up window for rides after the band is dismissed. Please have your rides coordinated so that you are not the only one left late into the night. Parents can plan to pick you up at approximately **10:30pm**. Band members are never released early (unless there is bad weather and the game is called).

Here is the schedule for Friday's Game Day:

3:45pm - MMB Report time

4:00pm – Full Band Stretch, Warm-Up (MVP 2, 3, 11)

4:15pm – Rehearse **Redemption** segments, Run-Through of 1 and 2

5:15pm – Dress out, Load Trailers

6:30pm – Inspection at Flag Poles

7:12pm – PREGAME on the Field!

10:30pm – Dismissal

Pre-Game Inspection is 6:30pm at the Flag Poles!

Performance Attire: Band – FULL Uniform, Guard – FIRE Uniform.

Demerits are in effect for weekly Rehearsal and Inspection infractions. Please refer to your **band packet handbook** to make sure that you have everything you need (hair, makeup, jewelry and garments) at all times.

Drill Shirts, Jugs, Towels and Dot Books are required for **ALL** rehearsals this week!

1. RESPECT yourself, RESPECT your teammates, RESPECT the Bandroom.
 2. WORK hard, have FUN!
 3. Mustang Band kids are AWESOME!
 4. You CAN Do It!
 5. You are NEVER ALONE. You have friends, staff and parents all around that CARE!
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The details listed above are there for you so that your band experience can be POSITIVE and ORGANIZED. YOU are responsible for **everything** outlined in the MMN. Help us ALL have a great year by taking care of YOUR personal needs and by being ACCOUNTABLE for the guidelines of the LRHS Band Program. Your director and staff work hard for you because we BELIEVE in YOU!

THE BANDS of LAKEWOOD RANCH HIGH SCHOOL

WE BELIEVE and ACHIEVE

System + Spirit = SUCCESS!

