



Band Update March 30, 2020

Hello Sound Wave Band Families,

I just wanted to send a quick update to everyone with the information that I have. I'm sure there are still many questions that are floating around, but these are some updates that I can give for now.

Band Online?

Yep! We are doing it! I will send out materials for everyone to practice and a few assignments that will be done as traditional assignments. The materials will cover the school days of April 2nd - April 15th. Plan on at least 2 assignments per week in addition to your normal practicing materials. All assignments will be posted in your classes for Microsoft Teams. This is the platform that the entire school district is using, so please be sure that you are able to sign in to get the information. Everyone should be in their classes by now and have access to the team. If you do not have the capabilities to get online to get the assignments or are having difficulties signing in, please contact the front office.

What if I left my instrument at the school?

If you were not able to get your instrument during today's sign up time, you must contact Mrs. Parr (ParrK@santarosa.k12.fl.us or 850-916-4110) to get anything from inside the school (band or otherwise). They are not letting students inside at this time and all contact within the school is limited.

Where do I start with practicing?

1. Tone Quality with Long Tones, Brass Buzzing, & Tuning/Intonation
2. 12 Major Scales & Rudiments
3. Chromatic Scale
4. Sight Reading
(www.sightreadingfactory.com is a great resource for new exercises)
5. Cleaning and sanitizing your instrument (more directions to come)
 - a. This is a great opportunity to get your instrument professionally cleaned and maintained at the local music stores!

Final Exams/Auditions & Leadership for 2020

Continue to prepare for the final exams and placement auditions as best as possible. The list of things to work on (scales, chromatic, rudiments, etc.) will be asked for in the audition. Leadership information will be available soon. I am hoping that we will be able to do the final exams/auditions and leadership auditions in person rather than online. If that plan changes, I will update you as soon as possible with that information.

Please stay safe and be sure to wash your hands!

Do you need more information? Find it here!

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