## **Solo Performances**

To encourage practice and preparation, Cadet Band students will be required to perform a solo in front of the band during band rehearsal. Students will be assigned a solo from the lesson book and they will be expected to perform the solo on their assigned day. If a student is absent on their assigned performance date, they must make it up at the next week's rehearsal. Parents and family are welcome to attend rehearsal the day of your child's performance. Performances will be during the last 10 minutes of rehearsal (3:50-4:00) on the assigned days. The following is a schedule of solo performances:

February 14	Orion Gonzalez, Katrina Walder				
February 16	Phoenix Webber, Chase Wilson, Jacob Rush				
February 21	Addison Lewis, Natalie Simpson				
February 23	Macy Rayls, Chloe Risen, Gus Irons				
February 28	Alyssa Burge, Elora Weber				
March 2	Kenyon Montez, Jessalyn Eisenmann, Olivia Swartz				
March 7	Lillian Lanter, Justin Morgan				
March 9	Macy Warner, Nate Gash, Gavyn Miller				
March 14 Burkert	Anasyn Bell, Keersten Carswell, Isabella Shepherd, Athan Linares, Josh Sanford, Alissa				
March 16	NO REHEARSAL (Parent/Teacher conferences)				
March 16 March 28	NO REHEARSAL (Parent/Teacher conferences)  Kennedy Lind, Maddie Barnes, Daizy Robinson				
March 28	Kennedy Lind, Maddie Barnes, Daizy Robinson				
March 28 March 30	Kennedy Lind, Maddie Barnes, Daizy Robinson  Matthew Vines, Dallas Hollingsworth, Taylor Page				
March 28 March 30 April 4	Kennedy Lind, Maddie Barnes, Daizy Robinson  Matthew Vines, Dallas Hollingsworth, Taylor Page  Layla Birch, Elaine Pierotti, Brylie Markwell				
March 28  March 30  April 4  April 6	Kennedy Lind, Maddie Barnes, Daizy Robinson  Matthew Vines, Dallas Hollingsworth, Taylor Page  Layla Birch, Elaine Pierotti, Brylie Markwell  Mollie Anderson, Emma Vines, Ayden Larkin				
March 28  March 30  April 4  April 6  April 11	Kennedy Lind, Maddie Barnes, Daizy Robinson  Matthew Vines, Dallas Hollingsworth, Taylor Page  Layla Birch, Elaine Pierotti, Brylie Markwell  Mollie Anderson, Emma Vines, Ayden Larkin  Trinity Perzee, Logan Kasallis, Bella Weber				

## Please see the back for more information!

## **Stripes**

In addition to the solo performances, students will be working on earning their "stripes." The appropriate color string tied to their instrument will represent stripes. (Don't worry - the stripes won't affect how the instrument plays!) Students will have the opportunity to earn their stripes by demonstrating mastery of certain skills as evidenced by exercises in the lesson book. Each student may work at his or her own pace, however, is expected to continue to work on weekly assignments in addition to working toward his or her next stripe.

Criteria for earning each stripe are listed below:

White - Page 12 #44A
Yellow - Page 13 #48 (bottom notes)
Orange - Page 14 #53
Red - Page 15 #58
Green - Page 16 #61
Blue - Page 16 #64
Purple - Page 16 #66
Brown - Page 19 #74
Black - Page 21 #79
Rainbow - Page 24 #84

Each exercise must be played with the CD provided in the back of the lesson book. Mrs. Mandel has the right to make the final decision regarding whether a student has earned a particular stripe. Stripes must be earned in the order listed.

These activities are designed to promote practice and preparation and are not intended to intimidate students. I expect that these activities will encourage excellence among the band students. Please contact me with any questions or concerns.

Send a note to Mrs. Mandel indicating you have read this letter and your child will earn a Dojo point for responsibility.

Sincerely,

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