

REQUIREMENTS FOR DRUM MAJOR AUDITIONS (2021-2022 Season)

Submissions Due by: **April 30th!**

This year, we will accomplish drum major auditions through a remote platform. You will be asked to complete the following tasks:

1. Complete the MB Drum Major Application (**Due April 30th**):
2. Share Teacher Evaluation with 2 teachers (**Due April 30th**):
3. Write a brief essay explaining why you like to be a Drum Major and how you think you can better the Laurel Spartan Marching Band! (**Due April 30th**)
4. Attend Drum Major Auditions **May 6th** after school.

For the Star Spangled Banner, you will need to display appropriate patterns, hand position, ability to direct tempi, etc. You will also need to sing, hum, or whistle the SSB as you conduct.

For the prepared piece (Estancia), you will still be scored on your ability to display appropriate patterns, hand position, ability to direct tempi, etc. You will display these as you conduct with the recording provided.

Lastly, please make a video for the commands and marching. Listed below are the various commands and march sequences. You will give the commands and model the movements yourself. For the Marching, there is a sequence listed below.

You will also need to demonstrate the whistle and voice commands. Included commands:

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| 1. Parade Rest | 3. Horns up/Horns Down |
| 2. Attention | 4. Four Whistles to Start Cadence |

You will need to be able to model and march the following sequence:

1. Marking Time (Mark time 8)
2. Forward Marching (Forward March 8)
3. Marking Time (Mark time 8)
4. Backward Marching (Backwards March 8)
5. Marking Time (Mark time 8 and Halt)

This application can also be used as the section leader application if you wish. You do not need to complete an additional application if you would also like to be considered for a section leader position.

If you have any questions or would like some help in preparing for the audition, please contact me through my email. bcroach@laurel.k12.pa.us

Thank You and Good Luck!

Mr. Croach