Hello 2015 LMB Members!

The next “Weekly LMB Newsletter” will be posted on Sunday, July 26, 2015. Please begin to check your GVSU e-mail each day. We will continue to send to personal accounts of incoming members and those attending other universities, but will also send duplicate e-mails to those registered for MUS 107 beginning August 1, 2015.

I. Pregame Music Memorization Videos – Helpful Hint
Once you are ready to make a video, then go ahead and do it! You do not have to wait until the video submission week to make all the videos in one sitting. Once you are ready to make Video 1 (Pregame A, Alma Mater and Nationals Anthem), make the video and upload to Youtube as an “unlisted” video on your channel. The same goes for Video 2 & 3. You can send the links at one time between August 10-17. Even though you make the videos and get them approved, you need to keep refreshing the music daily so you don’t forget.

II. Added 2015 Performance – 2015 FanFest – FULL BAND -Thursday, August 27 from 5-7:30pm
Though I rarely add a performance to our calendar, I have added a Pregame performance on Thursday, August 27 from 5-7:30pm for the 2015 FanFest event hosted by GVSU Athletics at Lubbers Stadium. This event is for the whole GVSU student body to learn cheers for the game and our traditions. This is a HUGE opportunity for the LMB! We get to “teach” the students what we do in Pregame and the stands. That night the football team is introduced and all incoming freshmen at GVSU make a huge picture on the field. We will practice our march over to the stadium as well that evening.

III. 2015 Band Camp Registration and MUS 107 Registration
A. The registration for the 2015 LMB Band Camp is open. Register online at www.gvsu.edu/marchingband under “2015 Season” - then, “Band Camp Registration.” Everyone must register by August 1, 2015. We must place clothing orders soon after. If you have any questions or need financial assistance, please contact Dr. Martin.
B. Everyone must register for MUS 107 (Section 01 or Section 02). If you have any scheduling problems, please contact Dr. Martin by phone at 616-328-1500 ASAP! Remember that MUS 107 is a tuition refund class for any LMB member taking over 15 credit hours in the fall. If you are taking over 15 credit hours, you must pay the extra cost upfront to GVSU, but you will be funded the full amount for 1 credit hour in November.

IV. Pregame Music Memorization Videos – Due between August 10 to August 17
We have changed the process concerning the memorization check-off of the Pregame music!
A. Each wind & percussion member (including section leaders) will send an e-mail to GVSUBands@gvsu.edu that contains 3 hyperlinks to “unlisted” Youtube videos that show you playing your part to different sections of the Pregame show music memorized.
B. You must face the camera and be at least 6 feet away from camera.
C. Take the marked tempos for each tune and have a metronome ticking during your videos.
D. Video 1 – Pregame A (mm=140), Alma Mater (mm=88), National Anthem (mm=96)
   Video 2 – Pregame B (mm=140), Pregame C (mm=104), Pregame D (mm=140)
   Video 3 – Pregame E (mm=140), Pregame F (mm=140), Pregame G (mm=140)
E. Video Links due between August 10 to August 17
F. If you need a GVSU marching instrument for the rest of the summer, please contact the Band Office by e-mail at GVSUBands@gvsu.edu or call (616) 331-3396.

V. Practicing with LMB Warm-Ups – Use of Flexibility #1, #2, and #3 – Show #1 Music
A. Please begin to work Flexibility #1 (music in the “Members Only” area on LMB website) and move to the next once you can comfortably play #1.
B. By August 1, 2015, there will be videos on the website demonstrating our warm-up routine that will consist of breathing exercises, articulation exercises, use of the flexibility exercises, and tuning.
C. Begin to work on Show #1 music. It does NOT have to be memorized!