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Welcome from Unit 5

Marching Band Members, Parents and Guests,

It is our pleasure to have you here on the campus of Illinois Wesleyan University for the Normal Marching Band Invitational! Normal Community and Normal West High Schools each have a rich history of music education, and our students participate in a variety of outstanding musical opportunities. Whether performing in our auditoriums, in the community, or on the field, our student musicians and music faculty strive for excellence. It is in the spirit of this tradition that we host this year's marching band invitational.

We congratulate and wish each participant well as they perform today. The crowd will surely be treated to a series of excellent performances!

Good luck to all schools!

- Angie Codron, Principal of Normal Community West High School and
Adam Zbrozek, Principal of Normal Community High School

Welcome from the Directors

It is with great pleasure that we welcome you to the Normal Marching Band Invitational, held on the campus of Illinois Wesleyan University. We are excited to host our event in this great venue!

Whether you are a performer, director, staff member, or parent, you have worked hard preparing to step onto the field today. We applaud your efforts, and we wish you the very best during your performance! We also gratefully acknowledge the spectators who cheer on, support, and advocate for the performers and the marching arts in a variety of ways, on and off the field.

We hope each of you enjoys your day at Illinois Wesleyan University and will make it a part of your yearly competition schedule. On behalf of the Normal Marching Band and the Unit 5 Music Parents, a huge THANK YOU for joining us today!

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Keith Baker – Visual Ensemble

Keith Baker first started teaching in 1986 at the Knolls Atomic Power Laboratory in New York. After leaving the US Navy and receiving his history degree at SIUE, he began teaching at Edwardsville High School in 1999. He designed and implemented the Advanced Placement US History class in 2017. He is the recipient of numerous awards for education, including the Olin Corporation Silver Medallion Award and WIU's Most Influential Teacher Award.

Mr. Baker has several decades of experience in adjudication, instruction, and design in the pageantry arts. He has been the director of the Edwardsville Winter Guard, leading them to an IDTA state championship in 2000 and a Class B MCCGA championship in 2001. He performed with several Drum and Bugle Corps including the Belleville Black Knights, Geneseo Knights, and Capital Brass Ensemble.

Mr. Baker has taught numerous ensembles, including Images Winter Guard, Francis Howell Central Indoor Drumline, and O'Fallon Township HS Marching Band. He continues to be active as a designer and instructor with high school teams from Missouri to Maryland. In addition to teaching clinics on judging, Keith is also a Visual judge with Drum Corps International and a Design Analysis judge for Winter Guard International.

Genaro Cantu – Percussion

Genaro Cantu is a former band director and received his Bachelor's and Master's degrees in Music Education from Western Illinois University. He studied percussion performance and pedagogy with Dr. Richard Cheadle and Dr. David Fodor. He is an active percussion performer and clinician with over thirty-five years of teaching and adjudicating experience and has presented and performed in several clinics and concerts at the Illinois All-State Music Conference. He currently performs with the Prairie Wind Ensemble and has recently performed with the Community Concert Band of Bloomington-Normal, the Peoria Symphony Orchestra, The Knox-Galesburg Symphony, and the Illinois Wesleyan University School of Theatre Arts.

Johnnie Green – Visual Individual

Mr. Green is a Band Director for Mason City Schools and serves as Visual Caption Head and Brass Staff for the 11-time BOA Grand National Finalist William Mason HS Marching Band. The Mason Band is a recipient of the Sudler Shield in 2022 and the 2023 Bands of America Al Castranova Esprit de Corps Award. In addition, the Mason Band has performed at the Midwest Band & Orchestra Clinic and was an honored participant in the 2024 Tournament of Roses Parade.

Mr. Green is a founding member of Peer Based Student Leadership-USA of Austin, Texas, providing a unique and meaningful approach for developing student leadership in fine arts programs. Mr. Green has presented sessions at the OMEA State Conference, has been featured on the "Growing Band Director" Podcast and is a presenter for the 2024 Midwest Band & Orchestra Clinic.

Mr. Green previously served as Associate Director of Bands and Color Guard Director at Lehman High School in Austin, Texas, where he received the State of Texas UIL Sponsor of Excellence award, and was a Quarter-Finalist for the Grammy in Music Education. Under Mr. Green's direction, the Lehman Wind Symphony was a "Commended Winner" in the Foundation for Music Education's Citation of Excellence, and the Varsity Winter Guard was a Texas Color Guard Circuit State Champion. Mr. Green also taught in the Judson Independent School District in San Antonio, Texas. During Mr. Green's tenure at Judson, the program performed at the National Concert Band Festival and were BOA and WGI Regional Finalists.

A native of Danville, Illinois, Mr. Green attended Illinois State University and performed in The Cavaliers Drum & Bugle Corps, earning a DCI World Championship and two Individual & Ensemble World Championships. He has also served as the Visual Caption Head for Spirit, Pioneer, and Crossmen Drum & Bugle Corps.

Scott Jones – Visual General Effect

Scott Jones was born and raised in Wisconsin and has been involved in the Marching Arts activity from a young age. Scott began performing with his high school marching band when he was in 7th grade and went on to perform with the Blue Stars as a member of the percussion section. He later turned his performing experience to the color guard sections of both the Magic of Orlando and the Blue Devils. Scott continued to develop as a colorguard performer as a member of the Sundowners and the State Street Review winter guards, both from Wisconsin.

Scott has been both adjudicating and teaching color guard for 30 years, much of which has been in his home state. He has taught numerous drum corps, high school marching bands, and winter guards including the Capitales, Americanos, Blue Stars, and the Madison Scouts.

In addition to his experiences teaching and judging in the marching arts activities, Scott is an English teacher in the Madison Metropolitan School District and a proud member of the school's student engagement team. Scott and his dog Nelson reside just outside of Madison.

Tony Marinello – Music General Effect

Dr. Anthony C. Marinello III serves as Associate Professor of Music and Director of Bands at Illinois State University. He is the conductor and music director of the Illinois State University Wind Symphony. In addition to overseeing all aspects of the wind band program, he leads the graduate program in wind conducting and teaches undergraduate courses in instrumental conducting.

He joined the faculty at Illinois State University after serving at The University of Texas at Austin as the Assistant Director of the Longhorn Band and Director of the Longhorn Pep Band. Marinello has previously taught in the public schools of Louisiana, Ohio, and Texas and remains committed to serving the music education community as an active guest conductor, clinician, and adjudicator.

Dr. Marinello has been inducted into Phi Beta Mu International Bandmasters Fraternity. He also holds memberships in the College Band Directors National Association, Tau Beta Sigma, Kappa Kappa Psi, and Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia. Marinello earned the Bachelor of Music Education degree from Louisiana State University, the Master of Music Degree from the University of Cincinnati College-Conservatory of Music, and the Doctor of Musical Arts Degree from The University of Texas at Austin.

Kevin McNulty, Sr. – Music General Effect

Kevin McNulty, Sr. is a longtime band and orchestra director in Illinois and has been judging bands and drum corps since 1978. He retired as Orchestra and assistant band director at Bradley-Bourbonnais Community High School, in Bradley, Illinois, in 2016.

He was previously the Associate Executive Director of Bands of America and the Director of the Central States Judges Association. Kevin has arranged and composed music for band, orchestra, and choir, and presents clinics around the country on music performance assessment. He is the owner of KMC Book Publishing Company and currently teaches band and Calvin Christian Academy in South Holland, Illinois.

Laura Reis – Auxiliary

Laura Reis graduated from Lincoln-Way North and marched color guard and winter guard from 2009–2012. She was a WGI silver medalist in 2010 and a WGI Bronze medalist in 2012, both in A Class. Reis also marched in the World Class O2 Winter Guard and was a WGI finalist in 2013. She has since taught at Victor J Andrew and Lincoln-Way.

Matt Thomas – Music Ensemble

Dr. Thomas was appointed as the Associate Director of Bands at the Western Illinois University School of Music in 2010. His responsibilities at WIU include conducting the Concert Band, University Band, Pep Band, and directing the "Marching Leathernecks," as well as teaching instrumental conducting and other courses within the undergraduate music education curriculum. A native of the Midwest, Dr. Thomas was born and raised in Evansville, Indiana. He attended the University of Kentucky as a trumpet student of Terry Everson, and graduated from the institution with a Bachelor of Music Education degree. He then taught in the Cobb County, Georgia, school district, where bands under his direction gave

feature performances at the University of Georgia Middle School Festival and The Midwest Clinic, an International Band and Orchestra Conference.

Dr. Thomas' graduate studies included a Master of Music degree in Wind/Band Conducting and a Ph.D. in Music Education from The Florida State University, where he was a conducting student of Richard Clary. During his time at FSU, Dr. Thomas was an associate conductor with the numerous graduate and undergraduate concert ensembles, taught courses in music education and conducting, and designed drill for the 400 member marching band. He and his wife reside in Macomb with their four children.

George York – Music Individual

George York served as the Director of Music Education and Band Director at Normal Community High School for 27 years. During that time the Marching Ironmen performed at the Cotton Bowl Parade, Orange Bowl Parade, Tournament of Roses Parade, Fiesta Bowl Parade and the Citrus Bowl Parade. The Marching and Concert Bands performed in Mexico, Canada, and Europe and attended many local parade and concert events and contests. In 2023 Mr. York was inducted into the Illinois State University Marching Band Hall Of Fame. Since retirement Mr. York has served as a guest clinician and adjudicator.

ANNOUNCER

Patrick Mainieri

Patrick Mainieri taught as a band director for 12 years in South Carolina and Illinois while also serving as Fine Arts Coordinator in two school districts. Mr. Mainieri moved into public school administration both as a Director of Student Activities and as an Assistant Principal where he oversaw fine arts operations and curriculum in two Illinois school districts. Mr. Mainieri is an adjudicator, consults and facilitates leadership development workshops for band programs, serves as a guest conductor for honor bands, and regularly presents at music education conferences while continuing his teaching through his private studio of trumpet students.


Mr. Mainieri is the Event Coordinator for the Illinois State Marching Band Championships, hosted at Illinois State University. He is also active with Music for All, Inc., based in Indianapolis, Indiana, through service on their Advocacy in Action committee, supporting honor ensemble and camper student participants at Summer Symposium as the Director of Participant Experience, and with operations of many fall Bands of America events. In 2013, Mr. Mainieri was selected as the Outstanding Young Music Educator of the Year by the South Carolina Music Educator Association.

Mr. Mainieri holds both his Bachelor of Music in Music Education and Master of Arts in School Leadership from Furman University in Greenville, South Carolina. Mr. Mainieri serves as the Chief Operating Officer for the Bloomington-Normal YMCA and resides in Bloomington, Illinois. He is married to his high school sweetheart, Tracy, who he met in high school band. Together, they have a 5 year old daughter. As a family, they enjoy traveling.

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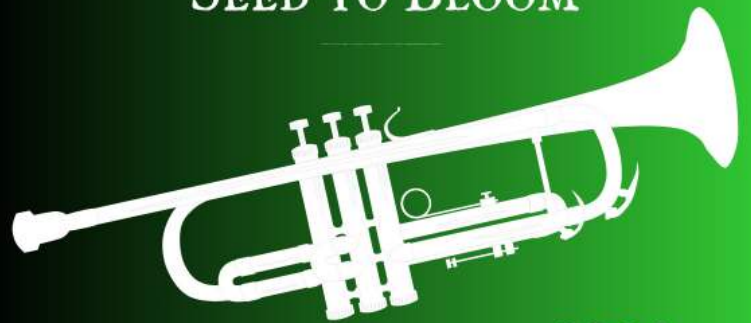
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- 2:45** GATES OPEN
- 3:00** NATIONAL ANTHEM & JUDGE INTRODUCTIONS
- 3:15** ST. JOSEPH-OGDEN | A
- 3:30** PANA | A
- 3:45** RIDGEVIEW | A
- 4:00** LINCOLN | 2A
- 4:15** BREMEN | 2A
- 4:30** OLYMPIA | 2A
- 4:45** A & 2A AWARDS
- 5:00** DINNER BREAK
- 6:00** SANDWICH | 3A
- 6:15** MT. ZION | 3A
- 6:30** METAMORA | 3A
- 6:45** PRAIRIE CENTRAL | 4A
- 7:00** EAST PEORIA | 4A
- 7:15** IVC | 4A
- 7:30** EUREKA | 4A
- 7:45** BREAK
- 8:00** MORTON | 5A
- 8:15** BLOOMINGTON | 5A
- 8:30** NMB - EXHIBITION PERFORMANCE
- 8:45** 3A, 4A, & 5A AWARDS

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CLASS A

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A Tribute to The Beatles

DIRECTOR: Nathan Waterson

ASSISTANT DIRECTOR: Kaitlyn Kowalski

DRUM MAJOR: Zoe Wright

STAFF: Dee Ramsay

SELECTIONS: *Come Together* - John Lennon & Paul McCartney
(arr. Tom Wallace)

Drive My Car - John Lennon & Paul McCartney (arr. Jay Bocook)

Hey Jude - John Lennon & Paul McCartney (arr. Jay Bocook)

Eleanor Rigby - John Lennon & Paul McCartney
(arr. Tom Wallace)

PANA MARCHING PANTHERS

I'm Lovin' It!

DIRECTOR: Tony Hicks

DRUM MAJOR: Madison Walter

STAFF: Olivia Mooday - Color Guard; Darin Holthaus - Percussion

SELECTIONS: *I Can't Help Falling In Love* - Elvis Presley (arr. Jay Dawson)

Can You Feel The Love Tonight - Elton John (arr. Paul Lavender)

Tainted Love - Soft Cell (arr. Tom Wallace)

RIDGEVIEW MARCHING MUSTANGS

In My Element

DIRECTOR: Anthony Marchese

ASSISTANT DIRECTOR: Sydney Belanger

DRUM MAJOR: Alexander Kennedy

STAFF: Sydney Belanger - Color Guard

SELECTIONS: *Fly Like an Eagle* - Steve Miller

River Flows in You - Yiruma

Through the Fire and the Flames - Sam Totman & ZP Theart



Congratulations Sophia Le on your first year as Drum Major!

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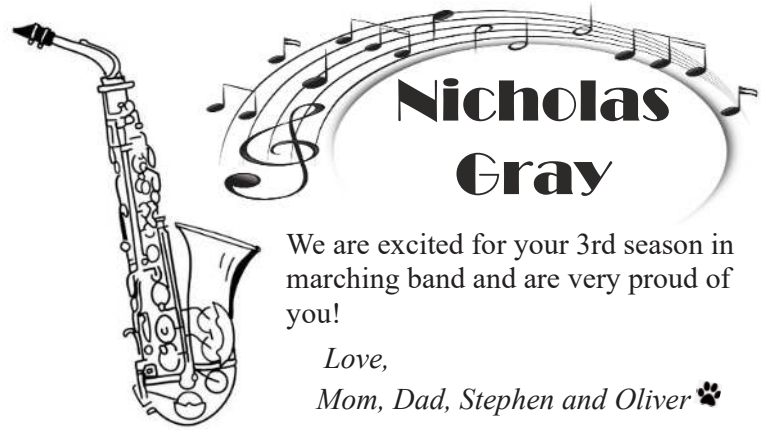


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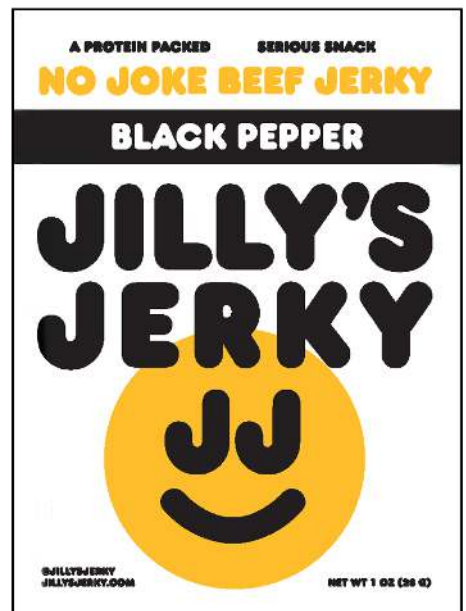
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CLASS 2A

LINCOLN MARCHING RAILERS

The Haunted Music Box

DIRECTOR: Nigel Range

DRUM MAJOR: Sori Springer

STAFF: Mackinze Carter - Color Guard

SELECTIONS: *Swan Lake* - Tchaikovsky
Danse Bacchanale - Saint-Saëns
Original Music - Eric Rath

BREMEN H.S. MARCHING BAND

Ritual

DIRECTOR: Ben Salgado

DRUM MAJORS: Nadia Laboy & Fatima Vicencio

STAFF: Stephanie Peterson - Color Guard

SELECTIONS: *Ritual* (based on Stravinsky's *Rite of Spring*) - Randall Standridge

OLYMPIA MARCHING SPARTANS

Through a Dreamer's Lens

DIRECTOR: James Spencer

DRUM MAJORS: Leyanna Cooper & Mason Ashworth

SELECTIONS: *A Million Dreams* - Benj Pasek & Justin Paul
Sweet Dreams (Are Made of This) - Eurythmics
Wake Me Up - Avicii

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this season!



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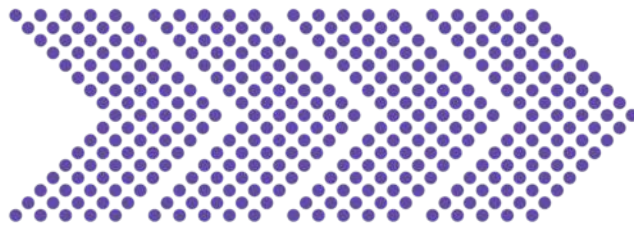
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much!
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Love, Mama & Papa Hoke*



CLASS 3A

SANDWICH RENEGADE REGIMENT

Paint It Black

DIRECTOR: Brett Harris

ASSISTANT DIRECTOR: Erin Killey

DRUM MAJORS: Ava Casey, Jazz Kubas, & Grace Anderson

STAFF: Robin Campos, Geoff Pierce, & Angelica Martinez

SELECTIONS: *Paint it Black* - The Rolling Stones (arr. John Fannin)
Moonlight Sonata - Ludwig Van Beethoven (arr. John Fannin)

MT. ZION MARCHING BRAVES

Eye of the Hurricane

DIRECTOR: Patrick Ward

ASSISTANT DIRECTOR: Jen Himanga

DRUM MAJOR: Ryan Crowley

STAFF: Chris Weirman - Drumline; Kaream Williams &
Colton Middleton - Front Ensemble; Tori Clyburn - Color Guard

SELECTIONS: *Gathering Storm* - Luke McMillan
Sound of Silence - Simon & Garfunkel
Thunderstruck - AC/DC

METAMORA REDBIRD MARCHING BAND

Wonderfully Mad

DIRECTOR: Zachary Hilligoss

ASSISTANT DIRECTOR: Kelly Jarosz

DRUM MAJOR: Derek Hover

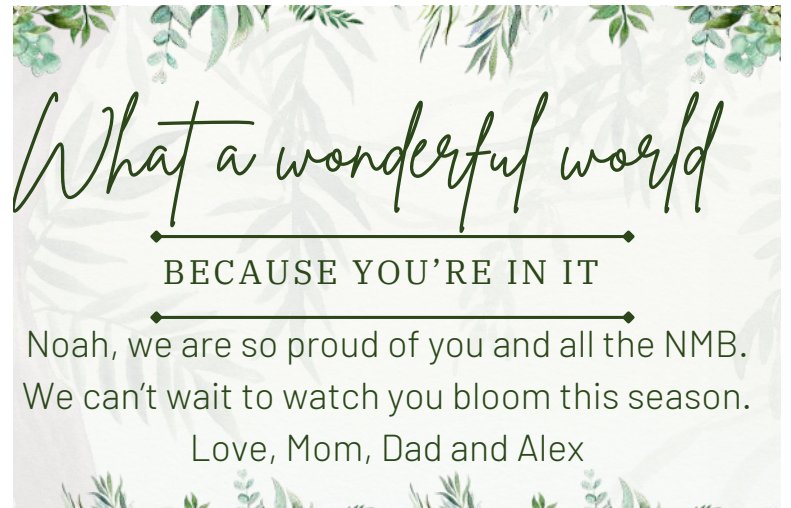
STAFF: Nick Jarosz, Marion Kennel, Noah Berkshier, Kylie Hankosky,
Cara Fletcher, Sara Walsh, Elyse Palmer, & Jenna Maue

SELECTIONS: *Alice's Theme* - Danny Elfman
The Mad Tea Party - Ryan Adamsons
Prelude and Rondo - David Holsinger



Have a great senior year, Taylor! We are so proud of you!

Mom and Dad



What a wonderful world

BECAUSE YOU'RE IN IT

Noah, we are so proud of you and all the NMB. We can't wait to watch you bloom this season.

Love, Mom, Dad and Alex



Noah, we're so proud of all your hard work this season. Seed to Bloom is incredible

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Charlotte Bihun

Class of 2025



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Love, Mom, Dad, Jackson and Tyler

CLASS 4A

PRAIRIE CENTRAL MARCHING HAWKS

And on the Eighth Day...

DIRECTOR: Brendan Vincent

ASSISTANT DIRECTOR: Megan Lackaff

DRUM MAJORS: Abby Bachtold & Brooke Johnson

STAFF: Monica Markley - Color Guard; Piper Rieger - Woodwinds; Ben Meier, Irene Wilken, Carmen Gradberg, & Harris Kahn - Percussion

EAST PEORIA MARCHING RAIDERS

Awaken

DIRECTOR: Adam Schneblin

ASSISTANT DIRECTOR: Kyle Newgard

DRUM MAJORS: Casey Hautala & Leo Behrll

STAFF: Andrew Harvey & Jeremy Clark - Percussion
Jessi Rogers & Nicole Schneyr - Color Guard
Bri Martin - Woodwinds

SELECTIONS: *Lacrimosa* - Mozart

Tales From the Crypt - Danny Elfman

Edward Scissorhands - Danny Elfman

Beetlejuice - Danny Elfman

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ASSISTANT DIRECTORS: Valorie Mills & Tom Cassidy

DRUM MAJORS: Trevor Blount, AJ Johnson, & Ella Hill

STAFF: Delaney Lawson - Color Guard;
Aaron Mills & Matt Beckner - Percussion

SELECTIONS: *Kaleidoscope Eyes* - Katahj Copley

True Colors - Cyndi Lauper

Halcyon Hearts - Katahj Copley

EUREKA H.S. MARCHING BAND

P.U.S.H. – Persist Until Something Happens

DIRECTOR: Todd Stalter

ASSISTANT DIRECTOR: Ben Wyland

DRUM MAJOR: Allison Wetzler

STAFF: Kari Marino – Color Guard; Josh Paul – Drumline

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STAFF: Craig Fitzpatrick, Bob Hornsby, Brian Spicklemire, Sara Gray, & Jeff Arbisi

SELECTIONS: *Asphalt Cocktail* – John Mackey

El Dorado – Thomas Bergersen

Basket Case – Green Day

In the End – Linkin Park

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DIRECTOR: Max Chernick

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Hanna Cremer & Gina Russell – Woodwinds; Tyler Belan, Joe Buczko,

Micah Crouse, & Robby Pratt – Brass

SELECTIONS: *UnRavel* – Bjork

True Colors – Cyndi Lauper

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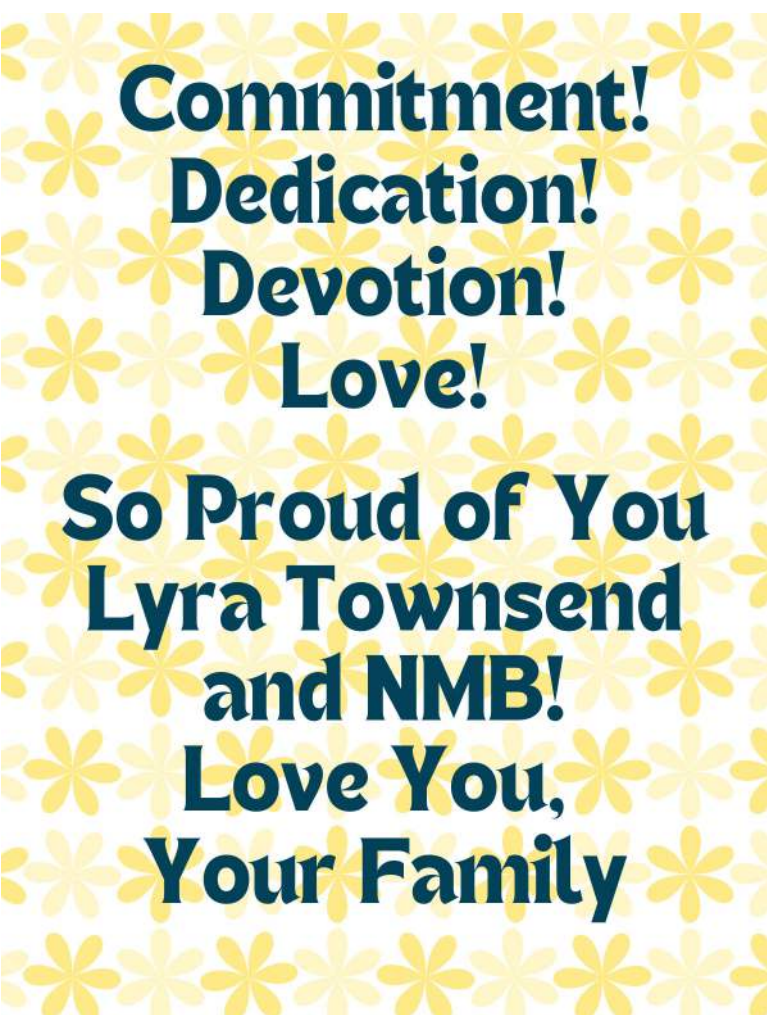
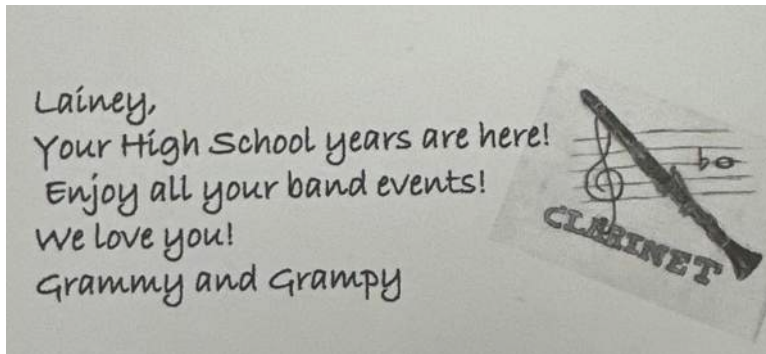
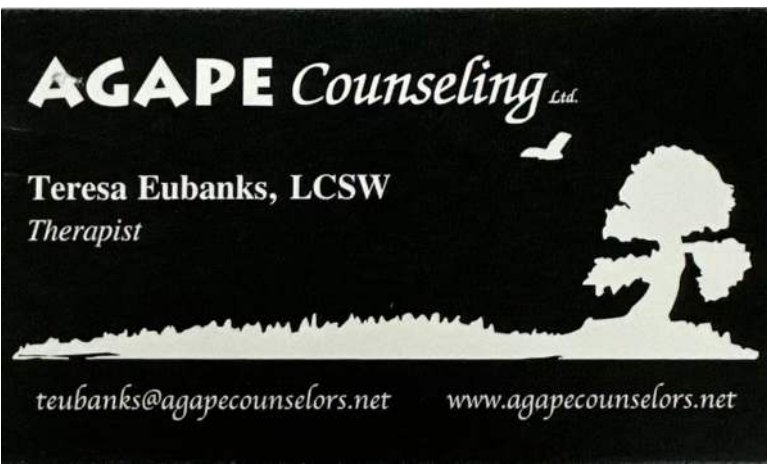
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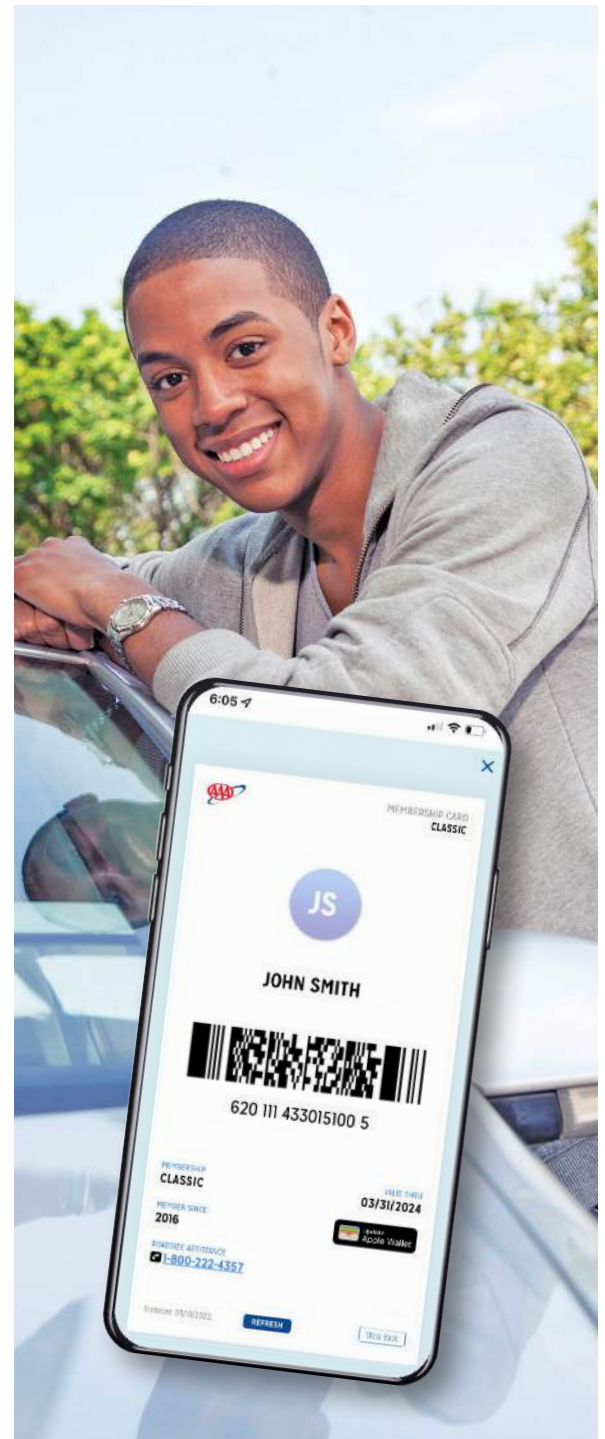
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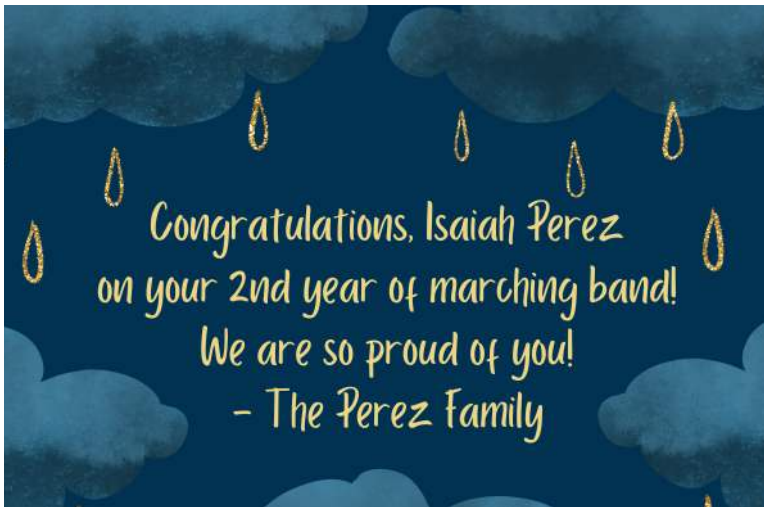
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