

STEVENSON HIGH SCHOOL INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC

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DRUMLINE AUDITIONS

Stevenson High School Marching Band

Audition Date: Thursday, May 25, 2023

3:30-6p @ SHS Band Room

<u>Audition Prep Sessions:</u> Videos are currently available on Google Classroom

(class code: 23xqqgw)

<u>Commitment:</u> Summer Drumline Camp at SHS (TENTATIVE DATES)

♦ Thursday, June 15 (12-3p)

Tuesday, July 18 (9a-3p)

♦ Wednesday, July 19 (9a-3p)

Tuesday, July 25 (9a-3p)

♦ Wednesday, July 26 (9a-12p)

♦ Drumline sectionals: dates TBD by section leader

Regular Marching Band Season

♦ Pre-Camp at Stevenson: August 9-11

♦ Band Camp at Covenant Hills: August 14-18

Rehearsals the week after camp

Rehearsals throughout the season

Games and performances

Instrumentation: For the 2023-2024 season, we will march:

0-3 Tenors

2-4 Snares

4-5 Bass Drums

0-4 Cymbals

0+ Sideline Percussion

Any student that plays percussion as his/her primary instrument and is registered in a band class is guaranteed a position on battery or mallets. If percussion is not your primary instrument, you may be asked to play your wind instrument in marching band if there are not enough positions available on the drumline. Students not registered for a band class will only be considered if a drumline position needs to be filled.

All returning students are expected to audition, even if not changing instruments. No student is guaranteed their first-choice instrument.



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Tryouts will begin in a large group where we will run various check patterns and warm-ups. You must bring your own practice pad, snare stand, and drumsticks!

After the large group portion, you will audition one at a time and be asked to play:

- 1. General Warm-ups
 - 8 On a Hand
 - Timing (top section only)
 - Accent grid (16th note version)
- 2. Instrument Specific Technique

Prepare the following warm-up based on the instrument you wish to play in the upcoming season.

PLEASE NOTE: Due to the limited number of positions available in Drumline, most new members will play Bass Drum or Cymbals for their first two years. There are rare exceptions, but new members should plan on preparing the Bass Drum audition if they wish to be in the drumline.

• Snare: Formu-roll-i

• Tenors: Squid

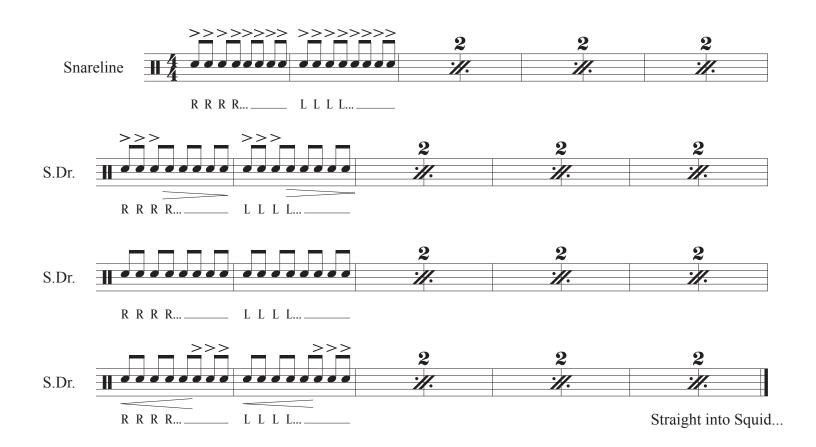
• Bass: ALL of Timing

• Pit: m 1-22 of Magic Snow

3. Sight reading

Good luck!

8 On a Hand

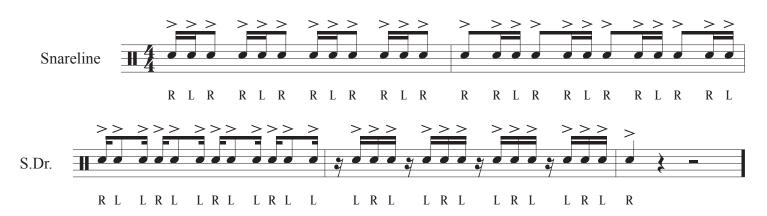


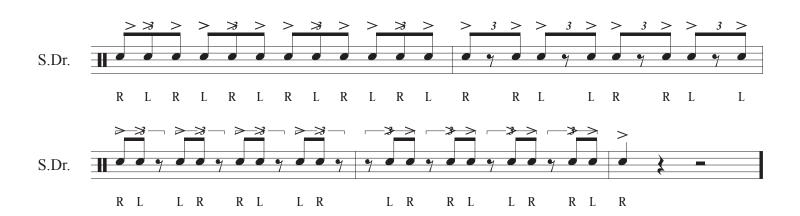
Keep accented notes as legato strokes using the wrist to motivate the stroke and the fingers to support, making sure that they start up and end up. They should 12" off the head of the drum.

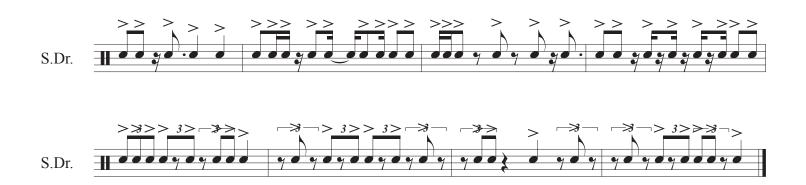
Tap strokes are for unaccented notes, and should be primarily played with the wrist. They should start down and end down. They should only be 3" off of the drum head.

Timing

16th and Triplet Timing

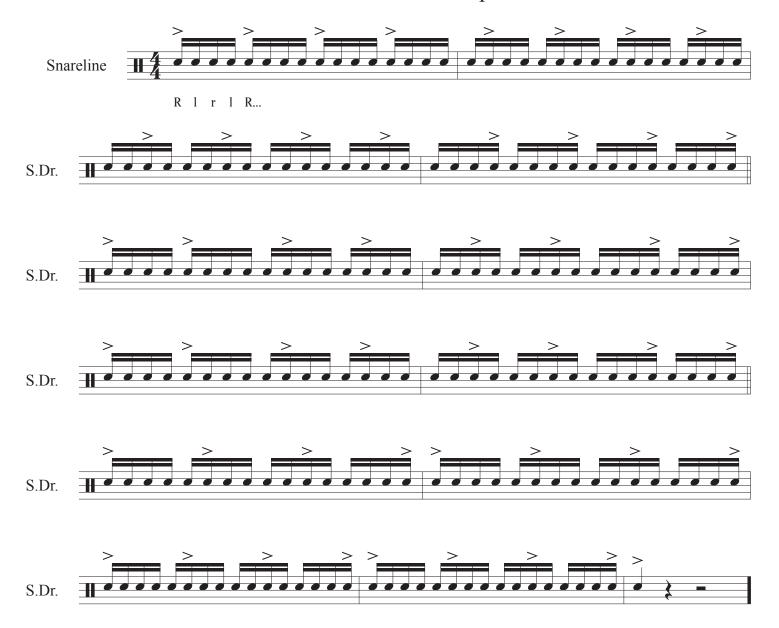




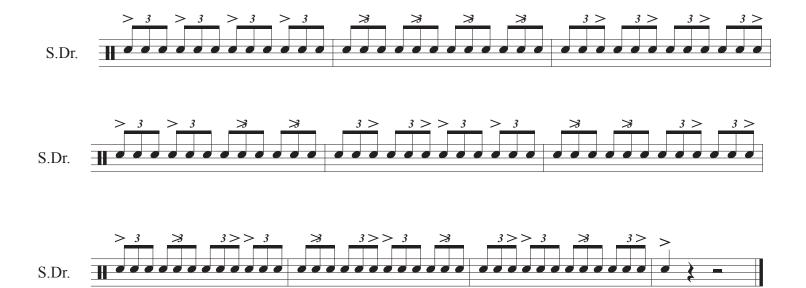


Accent Grid

16th note and Triplet



2 Accent Grid



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Magic Snow

