

Happy 4th Quarter, all!

I wanted to give you a solid outline for the 4th Quarter. I'll do my best to keep this short, but it's important that you read carefully. Here are the bullet points:

- **The concert is still happening.** The original date of May 19 isn't, but we will be doing something. It will either be a virtual concert in the form of a video (Think along the lines of viral A Capella videos on YouTube), or postponed to a later date this year. I'll create a separate post about this next week to explain the details. Either way, it's crunch time. Concert pieces will be:
  - Band: Irish Jig and Robots
  - Chorus: Beyond the Sea and You are the Reason
- **You're expected to practice an hour per week.** Divide this up however you like. I don't plan on requiring a practice log, but will assign one if needed. You all have what you need at home, pick up your instrument or sing for a bit.
- **Here's how quarter 4 grades are going to work.** You have two choices, at least one of which must be completed per week.

- 1) Send me an assigned recording. I will post what you need to send me on Friday each week in our classroom, and it will be due by the following Thursday. These will be a complete section, but not a whole piece (For example- Measures 13-29 of Robots, 23-35 of Irish, Pickup to 5-17 of Beyond the Sea, etc).

There will be an assignment for Band and Chorus and you are expected to complete assignments for each class you are in. (Syana won't send Chorus recordings, Ethen won't send Band recordings, etc).

- a) Chorus will have a track to sing along with, please use headphones while you record.
- b) Band will have a metronome speed you will need to follow, since I can't conduct you. Again, please use headphones while you record.

Recordings will be graded. It's not a matter of "I sent you a recording so I get a 100". Take this seriously. These recordings might be put in our concert video.

- 2) OR, you could have a video lesson. I'll repost the lesson schedule for you to fill out. These are one-on-one meetings for about 20 minutes via Google Meet/Hangouts, and will count for both band and chorus assignments for the week.

- **Assignments will be posted on Friday each week.** There will also be a google form you need to complete. It will be one question: Which assignment are you choosing for next week? You'll tell me then if you will be recording yourself or having a lesson. You're expected to [sign up for a lesson time here](#) soon after if that's your choice. This form will be due **Sunday** and is included in your grade.

All that being said, I miss you all and hope everyone has been doing well. This is a strange situation that keeps getting more and more complicated. Please don't hesitate to reach out to me if you need anything. My email door is always open, and I'm happy to talk any time.

Your first grade for the quarter is even easier- respond to this post so I know you've read it and understand what is expected of you. I'll have your first real assignment posted tomorrow.

Take care, talk to you soon!

-Sass