

Band Letter #10 – November 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup>

Hello Everyone,

I hope you are all doing well and staying warm this week!

Although we will have lessons on Wednesday of next week, we will not have them Thursday because of Thanksgiving – here are the following assignments for the next two weeks:

Assignment #1: Pages 9 and 10 in the standard of Excellence book - All students need to be caught up to page 10 by the time we return on December 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Here is a free metronome website – metronomes will help students keep their tempo on track, and also help keep track of rhythms as they play. You can also buy a metronome from the music store, or even download an app onto a mobile device, as well. I highly recommend having students use these while they practice:

<http://www.metronomeonline.com/>

Assignment #2: Living Room Concert: Each student should put on a concert for you at home choosing songs from their book (or our new holiday song sheet). I have given all band students an orange program to fill out listing their selections, audience members, etc. along with some audience input, too! I look forward to seeing what you all write.

Some students let me know that they do not have a CD player at home. Here is a link to the Standard of Excellence cd as MP3 links on the publisher's website for home practice:

[http://www.kjos.com/band/soe\\_accomp.htm](http://www.kjos.com/band/soe_accomp.htm)

Please let me know if you have any questions and have a wonderful break - Practice, Practice, Practice! ☺

Best Regards,  
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P.S. Here is a clip of the Vegetable Orchestra from Vienna to help get you in the mood for a Thanksgiving feast:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hpFYt7vRHuY>