

EXAMPLES OF YEAR LONG PROGRAMMING CHOICES FOR EDUCATION THROUGH LITERATURE

I have categorized level of band as Beginning Band, Intermediate Band, High School Band and Advanced High School Band. I did this because I believe that if we choose music solely based on grade level, i.e., “my band is a grade 4 band,” we loose out on great music for our bands. We need to look at the music rather than the grade level. The grade level range for each band is just a guide that I used. For each band, there is a list of works for each semester of a year. These are just my thoughts that accompany the clinic. I have worked with other directors and educators to compile the list, and many are from the *Teaching Music through Performance in Band* series. I have analyzed many more selections than are on this list, and they can be found on my website, www.bandscorestudy.org.

BEGINNING BAND

GRADE .5 TO 1.5

THESE WORKS ARE FEW AS THEY NEED TO ACCOMPANY THE BASIC ELEMENTS OF MUSIC PRESENTED IN THE FIRST METHOD BOOK. THIS LITERATURE SHOULD NOT REPLACE THAT INFORMATION, IT SHOULD JUST SUPPORT AND SUPPLEMENT.

SEMESTER 1

ANASAZI – JOHN EDMONDSON – GRADE 1 - BEGINNING BAND VOL. 1

GALLANT MARCH – MICHAEL SWEENEY – GRADE 1

GLORIOSO: A FANFARE AND PROCESSIONAL FOR BAND – GRADE 1 – BEGINNING BAND VOL. 1

SEMESTER 2

BELLS OF FREEDOM – DAVID GILLINGHAM – GRADE 1 – BEGINNING BAND VOL. 2

IMPERIUM – MICHAEL SWEENEY – GRADE 1 – BEGINNING BAND VOL. 1

JOURNEY DOWN NIAGARA – CHRISTOPHER TUCKER – GRADE 1.5 – BEGINNING BAND VOL. 2

A PREHISTORIC SUITE – PAUL JENNINGS – GRADE 1 – BEGINNING BAND VOL. 1

STARSHIP – JOHN O'REILLY – GRADE 1 – BEGINNING BAND VOL. 2

TRAIN HEADING WEST AND OTHER OUTDOOR SCENES – TIMOTHY BROEGE – GRADE 1 – BEGINNING BAND VOL. 1

INTERMEDIATE BAND

GRADE 1.5 TO 3

SEMESTER 1

ANCIENT VOICES – MICHAEL SWEENEY – GRADE 2 – BAND VOL. 1

AS SUMMER WAS JUST BEGINNING – LARRY DAEHN – GRADE 2 – BAND VOL. 1

DOWNTOWN DASH – NATHAN DAUGHTREY – GRADE 2 – BAND VOL. 8

GYPSYDANCE – DAVID HOLSINGER – GRADE 2 – BAND VOL. 3

PRIMORDIUM – MARK WILLIAMS – GRADE 1.5 – BEGINNING BAND VOL. 1

WHIRLWIND – JODIE BLACKSHAW – GRADE 2 – BAND VOL. 7

SEMESTER 2

BRIGHTON BEACH MARCH – WILLIAM P. LATHAM – GRADE 2.5/3 – MARCHES

CAJUN FOLK SONGS – FRANK TICHELI – GRADE 3 – BAND VOL. 1

DINOSAURS – DANIEL BUKVICH – GRADE 2 – BAND VOL. 3

LET YOUR SPIRIT SING – JULIE GIROUX – GRADE 2 – BAND VOL. 8

LITTLE SUITE FOR BAND – CLARE GRUNDMAN – GRADE 2 – BAND VOL. 1

JOURNEY OF EXPLORATION – YO GOTO – GRADE 3

HIGH SCHOOL BAND

GRADE 2.5 TO 4

SEMESTER 1

CHORALE AND SHAKER DANCE – JOHN ZDECHLIK – GRADE 4 – BAND VOL. 1

FLOURISH FOR WIND BAND – RALPH VAUGHAN WILLIAMS – GRADE 3 - BAND VOL. 1

PRELUDE, SICILIANO AND RONDO – MALCOLM ARNOLD, ARR. JOHN PAYNTER – GRADE 4 – BAND VOL. 1

PROSPECT – PIERRE LA PLANTE – GRADE 2.5 – BAND VOL. 1

SANG! – DANA WILSON – GRADE 3 – BAND VOL. 8

SUN DANCE – FRANK TICHELI – GRADE 3 – BAND VOL. 3

SEMESTER 2

CHILDREN'S FOLKSONG SUITE – KEVIN M. WALCZYK – GRADE 3.5 – BAND VOL. 9

GALOP – DMITRI SHOSTAKOVICH, TRANS. DONALD HUNSBERGER – GRADE 4

MARCH OF THE BELGIUM PARACHUTISTS – PIETER LEEMANS, ARR. JOHN BOURGEOIS – GRADE 4 –
MARCHES

METROPLEX – ROBERT SHELDON – GRADE 4 – BAND VOL. 7

PERTSHIRE MAJESTY – SAMUEL HAZO – GRADE 4 – BAND VOL. 8

VARIATIONS ON A KOREAN FOLK SONG – JOHN BARNES CHANCE – GRADE 4 – BAND VOL. 1

ADVANCED HIGH SCHOOL BAND

GRADE 4 TO 6

SEMESTER 1

ADVENTURE TALE OF PROFESSOR ALEX – DAISUKE SHIMIZU – GRADE 5

AVE MARIA – FRAZ BIEBL, ARR. ROBERT CAMERON – GRADE 4 – BAND VOL. 3

DANCING IN AIR – YO GOTO – GRADE 4

A FESTIVAL PRELUDE – ALFRED REED – GRADE 4 – BAND VOL. 4

FIRST SUITE IN E^b – GUSTAV HOLST – GRADE 4 – BAND VOL. 1

THE WASHINGTON POST MARCH – JOHN PHILIP SOUSA, ARR. KEITH BRION & LORAS SCHISSEL –
GRADE 4 – MARCHES

SEMESTER 2

GAVORKNA FANFARE – JACK STAMP – GRADE 5

OCTOBER – ERIC WHITACRE – GRADE 4 – BAND VOL. 5

CANZONA – PETER MENNIN – GRADE 5 – BAND VOL. 1

CANDIDE SUITE – LEONARD BERNSTEIN, ARR. CLARE GRUNDMAN – GRADE 4 – BAND VOL. 4

MOLLY ON THE SHORE – PERCY GRAINGER, ARR. ROGERS – GRADE 4 – BAND VOL. 3

TOCCATA MARZIALE – RALPH VAUGHAN WILLIAMS – GRADE 5 – BAND VOL. 2

