

PRACTICE SCHEDULE

Assignment: French Folk Song Melody AND Harmony, Twinkle Variations, Ode to Joy Festival

Keep practicing your note reading skills with online flashcards!!

<http://violin.school.nz/> <http://viola.school.nz/> <http://cello.school.nz/> <http://bass.school.nz/>

Pick your instrument and check it out!

**Mark your calendar! String Jamboree, March 10, 7:00 p.m., HS Field House
FOUR CLASSES LEFT - make this your best practice week yet!**

- ☐ DAY 1: Warm up with a D scale in Pepperoni Pizza rhythm.
- Twinkle Variations: play with the Pepperoni Pizza rhythm, with long slow bows for “pizza”!
 - French Folk Song: review the melody, 2x through. Focus on using long, straight bows.
 - French Folk Song: try harmony 1. Play each line 2x slowly. Remember to count to 3 on every dotted half note!
 - Ode to Joy Festival: review the melody, first 8 measures, slowly and clearly. Now try them again with your eyes closed! ☺
 - Online flashcards: visit the website above that matches your instrument. See how high a score you can get! It will go through D and A, then all four open strings, then the D string notes.

Write your score here: _____

- ☐ DAY 2: Warm up with a D scale in Dog Chase the Cat Rhythm
- Twinkle Variations: play with Dog Chase the Cat rhythm, with long bows on “dog” and “cat”!
 - Review French Folk Song melody from yesterday. Then try harmony 1, slowly!
 - Ode to Joy Festival: Start at measure 9 (E, E, F#, D) and review the notes for measures 9-12 (ending on A). Play through them 3x, a little faster each time.
 - Online flashcards: how high a score can you get today? Write it here: _____

- ☐ DAY 3: Warm up with the D scale in a rhythm of your choice. Then play Twinkle in that rhythm!
- Ode to Joy festival: review the melody, slowly. Then play it again, a little faster.
 - French Folk Song: play through melody and harmony 1. Fix any stumble spots.
 - French Folk Song: try harmony 2. Play each line 2x slowly, then play through it all once.
 - Online flashcards: how high a score can you get today? Write it here: _____

- ☐ DAY 4: Warm up with at least two old songs you like to play.
- Twinkle: once with long, slow bows, and once with Pepperoni Pizza.
 - French Folk Song: play through melody once, focusing on long, clear bows. Then play through either harmony 1 or harmony 2.
 - Ode to Joy Festival: whole melody. Then play it again, either in front of a mirror or with someone making a video of you. Watch your performance and notice if your bow is moving straight or not. Do you hear a big, confident sound? If not, what adjustments can you make?
 - Online flashcards: how high a score can you get today? Write it here: _____

Congratulate yourself on a great week of practicing! ☺