

# Home Practice Guide January 2022- Alto Sax

Due the week of February 7<sup>th</sup>

**Instructions for Home Practice Guide Completion:** Each week, your child's practice should have a specific focus. We are providing you with practice goals and objectives for each week of the month. In most cases, your child will receive instruction on the material prior to playing the material at home. Each week, he/she needs to practice the assigned material repeatedly. Once your child feels prepared to play the assigned piece(s) for you, he/she will give you a short concert and/or explanation of the material. Once the concert is completed, please sign the appropriate week's box.

Date	Page #s	Pages Completed/Song(s) Played	Parent Sig.
	Pg. 30 Area Concert Songs	Review the steps for proper posture, playing position, and forming the embouchure with a parent again.  Review all of the first five notes on pages 30 in your book  Play Area Concert Songs <b>Claire de Lune</b> <b>Aunt Rhodie</b>	
	Pg. 32 Pg. 33	<b>#45. Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star</b> <b>#46. Grand March (Melody)</b> <b>#47. Grand March (Harmony)</b>	
	Pg. 34 Area Concert Songs	<b>#52. This Old Man</b> <b>#54. Ode to Joy</b>	
	See Below  Area Concert Songs	Write the name of the notes in the blanks below.  <b>When the Saints Go Marching In</b> <b>Louie, Louie</b>	

**DIRECTIONS:** Identify each note ONLY BY NAME in the song below

The image shows two musical staves. The first staff is in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It contains the following notes: G4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), B4 (quarter), C5 (quarter), B4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), G4 (quarter), F#4 (quarter), E4 (quarter), D4 (quarter), C4 (half). Below the staff are ten blank lines for writing the note names. The second staff is also in G major and 4/4 time. It contains the following notes: G4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), B4 (quarter), C5 (quarter), B4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), G4 (quarter), F#4 (quarter), E4 (quarter), D4 (quarter), C4 (half). Below the staff are ten blank lines for writing the note names.

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### **Area Concert Songs**

During the 2<sup>nd</sup> Learning Cycle, your child will be learning some basic songs that we will call “Area Concert Songs”. These songs will be performed at an evening event in February at the local high school called the Area Concert. Attendance at this concert is mandatory. Specific dates and times are still to be determined.

When listening and watching your child, listen for a good sound (tone quality) and look for proper playing position and good posture. Your child should be able to play each of the songs along the following timeline:

### **Music Grades**

All students in grades 5 receive music grades during the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Learning Cycles. All music grades will be the same as the rest of the academic subjects: 4, 3, 2, 1. All students should be working toward the grade level standard(s) in music (Benchmark songs). By the end of January, your child should be able to play Claire de Lune (p. 15 line 32) and Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star (p. 32 line 45), This Old Man (p. 34 line 52), and Ode to Joy (p. 34 line 54) with his/her book.

### **Rubric for 2<sup>nd</sup> Learning Cycle 4<sup>th</sup> Grade String Grades**

<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>
Your child <b>is able</b> to play Claire de Lune, Twinkle, This Old Man & Ode to Joy with good tone quality (good sound), posture, and position.	Your child <b>is working toward being able</b> to play Claire de Lune, Twinkle, This Old Man & Ode to Joy with good tone quality (good sound), posture, and position.	Your child <b>is struggling</b> to play Claire de Lune, Twinkle, This Old Man & Ode to Joy with good tone quality (good sound), posture, and position.

### **Practice Songs online at:**

<http://www.mrwentzel.com/bandpractice.html>

Thank you,

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