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Our Recordings

Listen to select tracks by clicking on the recordings below or by visiting our media page.

Prestissimo! 2008-2011 Highlights

We are quite pleased to once again team up with Mark Custom Recording to produce this CD of our last
several SuperState performances and our 2010 IMEA All-State Concert Performance!

2011 MENC North Central Conference

Our first CD in years! This CD of our 2011 MENC North Central Division Conference performance features Matt Olson (Professor of Saxophone at Furman University) and our consortium commission of John Mackey Foundry. Available for purchase from Soundwave Recording.

2006 Midwest Clinic: An International Band and Orchestra Conference

Our 2006 Midwest Clinic concert performance. This CD also include highlights from the 2005-2006 school year. CDs and DVDs are still available from Mark Custom Recording.

McCracken Middle School Symphonic Band: Highlights 1998-2006

A very exciting and unprecedented project. Each one of our concert programs for our performance at the 2006 Midwest Clinic includes a copy of McCracken Middle School Symphonic Band: Highlights 1998-2006. Unfortunately, due to mechanical licensing agreements, this CD is only available to those who received a program at our Midwest Clinic performance on December 22, 2006.

2005 Illinois Superstate Concert Band Festival

In an exciting collaboration, with approval from the U. of I. Bands, the eight middle school bands invited to the 2005 Illinois Superstate Concert Band Festival created this two-disc set of our performances. Mark Custom Recording Services did the production work and duplication.

This item is sold out
Our performance at the 2005 MENC North Central Conference marks the first time our school band ever performed outside of Illinois. This recording may be available from Audio Tape Productions from Potterville, MI. Then again, it may not be.

We've been fortunate to have been selected to perform at the IMEA All State Conference several times in recent years. We had the privilege of sharing this performance with the Oswego High School Wind Symphony, under the direction of Margene Pappas. This album may be available from Mark Custom Recording, but my guess is that it is permanently out of print.

We performed the World Premier of Spirit! by Douglas Akey in 1998. The 2003 Symphonic Band was also selected as Honor Band at Superstate. The Fifth Grade Band performed as a demonstration group at the 2003 IMEA All-State Conference. This is the last of our recordings that will feature all of our school's bands (at least for the foreseeable future).

This band will always hold a special place in my heart. This eighth grade class was my very first set of beginners. We had a terrific year, giving our Honor Band performance at Superstate and also performing at the 2001 IMEA All-State Conference.

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Pirates: 1999-2000 Highlights

The 1999-2000 Symphonic Band was selected as Honor Band at the Superstate Concert Band Festival.

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'Tis a Gift: 1998-1999 Highlights

'Tis a Gift was the first CD released by the McCracken Bands. The 1998-1999 Symphonic Band was the first in school history to be invited to the University of Illinois Superstate Concert Band Festival. The Percussion Ensemble performed at the IMEA Music Education Day at the Capitol and is represented on this recording as well.

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