

Concord High School Marching Band, Auxiliary Unit, and Jazz Ensemble I
Rodriguez Tournament of Champions
Saturday, November 19th, 2022

“The Last Time”

*Shade, dad jokes, anecdotes, and random Lejano life lessons. AKA the inner machinations of Lejano's mind are an enigma.
Reference? Anyone? I think I'm getting old... #myleg #mayonnaise #25 #CHOCOLATEEEE*

Dedicated to the Senior Class of 2023 <3

Pro-tip: when reading this itinerary in your head, read the tiny font as fast as possible. Makes for an authentic Lejano train of thought experience. Cheerio mate.

*****Jazz I will prep the loading process for their equipment during lunch on Friday*****

6:15AM Auxiliary Hair-Salon/Leader call-time (don't be late)

Slippery slope, leaders have fallen off many times this year. Don't do it today. I'm looking at you Isaac. And Will. And Alan. And Ga- Actually, Gavin is great at showing up on time. Kudos. But he did litter his freshman year, so I guess he's been trying to live that one down... Well you didn't. I didn't forget. Neither did Katie. #no_tetherball

6:30AM Call-Time for Band Members (The Last Time seniors have to wake up this early ever again)

Psyche! That's called being an adult. And Abhi, stop complain-bragging about having to show up early for comps. Refer to last year's itinerary for the definition.. Don't fret. Flashback! Well my young padawans, complain-bragging is what most of you do when you're complaining about rehearsals/performance/being a cool active person with hobbies/anything to do with the program. Because you're complaining about doing stuff, but deep down, you actually know you're pretty legit for being in the Concord High Minutemen Marching Band and Auxiliary Unit. You put on some amazing performances, you work extremely hard, you're doing things that will help you be a better person later on in life, and you get to hang with some pretty cool hamburguesas. Why would you complain about cool people things?

1. Because you're teenagers, and my goodness, you guys complain about everything.
2. You're not actually complaining about it. You're lightweight bragging about the fact that your life is super busy with cool, meaningful, fun experiences. Hence my creation of the term 'complain-brag'. Seniors, you cute, but you all guilty of it. Now stop complaining, we know you bragging, for Bast's sake, it's the LAST TIME! Have a popart.

6:50AM Load the trailers (The Last Time seniors ever load the trailer. After today, we make freshmen do it the rest of the year!)

Psyche otra vez! We don't do that. But when I first got here, seniors actually said that stuff. "I don't load the trailer because I'm a senior!" Sometimes, they would straight up grab a lawn chair, park it next to the trailer, and watch the rest of the band load the trailer... Yeah some traditions stay, like one band, one stall. Genius. But some go bye bye, like seniors treating trailer loading like a backyard bbq. Speaking of lawn chairs, hey Triangle, how about you grab all the chairs the dudes who ditch class all the time use to make their gathering spot at lunch/brunch. Throw those in the trash, because they leave so much trash in that spot, and poor Thuan is left to clean up their trash. So those dudes are trash, and their chairs are trash, so we're gonna stand up for Thuan and put them in the trash.

The chairs, not the dudes. The latter won't end well. As Alberto (rather sarcastically) will say, "We don't do that here at Concord High School..." My man (insert fist in the air).

But NGL, when I see their trash on the ground, all I think is 'These hands...' I hear aux use this phrase a lot. I think I used it in the proper context. Nat will let me know if I'm correct or being old. And don't worry seniors, you still have to load the trailer, but you've got your fun times coming for you. #SeniorHang2023 #GradHandshakes #Lejano's_Battle_Royale (but only if you're over 18 when you graduate, otherwise litigation could ensue, and I'm broke. So don't do that.) I'm totally kidding by the way. I don't fight alumni. Except the one time with Big Alan. No, not Alan Montano. Alan Diaz. But we don't talk about him anymore. Just like we don't talk about Bruno. But forreal real, I don't fight. Refer to Berto's wise words. Except when it comes to Olivia. But in fact, we just end up dancing. So it's not a fight. So we don't do that at Concord High. But sometimes we do. It's called Lexi's debate club.

7:10AM Pow-Wow in the MU, rundown of the day

7:30AM Potty (probably not the last time you do this. If it is, I would consult with your physician)

7:40AM Load the cars

Wouldn't it be rad if y'all gave your carpool driver a gift to say thank you for driving us to this event? The answer is 'That would be magnanimous Lejano'. I concur. With myself. Gratitude. Life. Grand. Maybe like a handwritten letter. Or better yet, a 5-part harmony on 'Thank You'. Like the 'Mail-Time' intro from Blues Clues, but sub in the words 'Thank You!'.

"Genius idea Lejano." "I know right, thanks dude! You're real nice." "Ahh you're too kind. Stop it. Appreciate you, you amazing human you." *insert cool unique handshake* (Sarah still doesn't validate me, so I've resorted to validating myself. We've got 2 years. I'll just keep praying to Santa and it'll happen eventually.)

7:45AM Cars depart for Rodriguez High School (5000 Red Top Rd. Fairfield 94534); **Our Trailers are in LOT B**

8:30AM Arrive at Fairfield (The LAST TIME seniors step into game mode at a review)

- Unload trailers, make dressings rooms
- Get ALL MARCHING instruments/uniforms READY! When we finish the jazz performance, it is a quick turnaround to prepare for parade competition. Not a lot of time, so let's get everything ready now.
- When everything is ready... Potty. Breakfast. BREATHE.

9:10AM Jazz get all instruments/music/equipment ready to move; get band/aux to help you as necessary

9:25AM Move to warm-up at Theater (Aux is stretching and warming up during this time)

9:35AM Official Jazz Warm-up Time Begins

9:57AM Move to Library for Jazz Performance; be ready to take stage quickly

10:05AM **Official Jazz Performance Time** (all those not performing are in the room cheering jazz on!! #ugh #yeah)

"Will starts the show right, with some saxy bebop lines,

Alberto comes in with the hits, playing perfectly in time.

Alan breaks down the song, with a little bit of stride,

All the solos are so groovy, that Triangle lets out his Uptown Funk war cry.

Isaac's solo is so smooth, while Robert is screaming on the lead,

Meanwhile Alma leads from the bottom, with some phat on the low Cs.

Jon-Anthony swags out on Shofukan, Gavin solos down to the wire,

We stand, we bow, we exit quickly, because we set that stage on FIRE!"

10:30AM NO RECAP, straight to packing up jazz equipment and getting ready for parade; Everyone in uniform

11:00AM Sectional Warm-ups (The LAST TIME your captains prepare you for battle!)

Remember what we worked on this week: TELL A STORY through your performance!

11:20AM Full Ensemble (The LAST TIME you'll hear Lejano say 'One more time.')

*Heh. Not true. We've got 7 months.

11:40AM Walk to position

- 11:45AM Stand by (last time for Strength & Honor, Pre-Game Pics, and the Pre-Game dump. Jk. You're too late Skye. Hah, Jai Sconson still doesn't live down Santa Cruz 2019. What a bus ride. Anyone remember Josue? If you do, tell a friend. Then tell them to NEVER do that again.)
- 12:00Noon In position (The LAST TIME you're given 'Strength and Honor')
- 12:05PM Official Warm-up (The LAST TIME Isaac hypes us up!!!)
- 12:15PM **Official Step-off time** (The LAST TIME seniors step into street competition as a Minuteman, think about that...)

*"The auxiliaries march past, the band steps to the line,
And now the Seniors realize that this is their last time.
The last time Will's heart races, as he looks down the street,
The last time Lexi is called to attention, the last time Seniors compete.
Isaac leads us front and center and we prepare to march through the zone,
Alan starts us off with perfect tempo, Abhi plays a beautiful first note.
Gavin and Warren sing through their clarinets with a sound that speaks to the heart,
Alma and Jared are sounding PHAT on those lush sousa parts!
At the trio, Alberto's melody sings, while on clarinet, Jackie and Lucy slay.
Triangle remembers watching from the sideline, and now his last comp is today.
Robert plays the last flourish, and Dayanna hits her final pose,
Just like that, 4 years pass, and the Seniors' last time comes to a close."*

- 12:20PM Percussion Competition (The LAST TIME Alan calls his Minutemen Drumline to attention)
- 12:25PM Performances DONE!
- 12:35PM The Senior's LAST TIME doing the CIRCLE RECAP (Schleight Binap Pffff anyone?)
Sorry Clarence, you're time is up. Triangle will now make the next 3 word circle recap phrase that will be immortalized for the next 3 years.
- 12:45PM Post-Performance-Party (but in Senior-LAST-TIME fashion!)

1:30PM - Now for some musical storytelling

1:37PM Will and Alma reminisce on their 4 years in the program.

1:44PM Alberto finds his time in band nearing an end, so he starts to pass on his invaluable skill of twerking to the underclassmen.

1:52PM Abhi thinks it's a good time to make a speech. He puts up a projector, pulls up his slideshow, puts on his 2 piece suit, and begins. He thought the speech would come off super motivational and inspirational, but instead everyone starts laughing because they think Abhi is just being funny. So Abhi plays it off like it's supposed to be funny by laughing with everyone, but in reality, Abhi is pretty confused and slightly offended.

1:57PM Jackie and Lucy psychoanalyze their journey together, from being rivals freshman year to basically running Concord High School.

1:58PM Angel picks up the quads and asks to play on "Crazy in Love". Lejano says no.

1:59PM Paying tribute to Ryan, Alberto gets lost.

2:00PM After a nice therapy session, Jackie and Lucy realize there's not much stopping them from turning Concord High into a student-run high school.

2:01PM Alan is late to lunch. While Alan walks in late, Will is bench pressing Triangle. Alan asks to join, but Gavin says, "You would have been able to, but you're late," then proceeds to remind him about the slippery slope.

2:02PM Triangle jumps up from Will's arms, then proceeds to flex like Lejano, doing a bunch of gestures and sound affects (that Lejano never actually does, but we'll call a spade a spade).

2:02PM Will jumps on the band wagon and starts to walk around and flex.

2:02PM Gavin walks around and flexes.

2:02PM Jackie walks around and flexes.

2:02PM Alma makes weird noises.

2:02PM Alberto twerks (not like with everyone, just by himself wherever he is; he's lost, remember)

2:02PM Abhi walks around and flexes.

2:02PM Jared in his speedo.

2:02PM Tyler walks around and flexes. "Wait, Tyler, you're not a senior! How'd you get into this itinerary?" "Because oh no she always listens always always listening she's always listening always listen."
#we_dont_talk_about_Siri

2:03PM Timothy transports back to this exact moment from last year's Senior 'Last Time' Itinerary to let us all know what's happening on that day. "We know Tim. We already lived it. We're in 2022 now. You don't really go to the future to tell people what happened. Kinda defeats the purpose.." He says, "Hmm." Nods his head, and proceeds to do that weird fish dance on the floor.

2:03PM Warren sits on the side playing, "Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring" on clarinet

2:03PM Robert silently judges all that is going on... But then embraces it, rips out his guitar, and starts playing the solo from Sweet Child of Mine.

2:03PM Charles thinks this is the coolest thing ever.

2:03PM Jon-Anthony debates whether or not he should have stayed in music tech.

2:03PM Dayanna is in music tech RIGHT NOW, making a phat electronic remix of the fight song.

2:31PM Isaac pulls out a piano to sing a song about his time in the program. Heavily inspired by "You Will Be Found" from 'Dear Evan Hansen', he really puts his heart and soul into this performance. But similar to Abhi's speech, everyone starts laughing again, assuming it's parody, so Isaac decides to play it off and go into a more, "Sincerely, Me" type of feel on piano. It works. Everyone applauds, and Isaac is content with his in-the-moment-musical-decision-making.

2:44PM Perri drops out of CV and comes back to Concord! #who_calls_their_students_ugly #only_corrupt_admin #look_up_Clayton_Valley_Charter_Scandal #dont_transfer

2:46PM Lexi asks to play Lejano one more time in Among Us. Lejano agrees to it, and a bunch of seniors join in.

2:50PM Lucy breaks into words from the heart, thanking the parents and all the underclassmen for making the seniors' time in the program so wonderful. Many applaud. Some even shed tears. But Abhi is just salty.

2:53PM Lexi kills Lejano in Among Us. Because Lexi is sus. Lexi is always sus. Basically the living impostor.

2:59PM We found Alberto. He was twerking at Jack in the Box with Ryan since last year.

- 3:00PM Report for awards at the Rodriguez High School Stadium
- 3:30PM Awards Begin! (Jazz I is in the Open Division, Marching Band/Aux are in 6A, Will is in the Mace category)
- 5:00PM Recap next to trailers, then depart for Concord High
- 5:30PM Arrive at CHS, unload. Once everything is in it's right place, you are DISMISSED!

Mates, you learned over a dozen songs and choreo. You hosted a Battle of the Bands right here on our campus. You survived through the most grueling, but SUCCESSFUL March-A-Thon to date. You competed in 4 band reviews and proved you're one of the top bands in Northern CA. You learned a THRILLING Halloween Show. Attended football games, gigs, a rally without your old man. Andrew Tate. Godzilla. Kazakhstan. Garden gnomes fighting Captain America with nerf guns while aliens fall from the sky at Letter B and Kings fight Kings while the Nutcracker enters the circus jumping through rings of fire while everyone dies and lives happily ever after...

Wow. What a season. I love you all. Thanks for holding it down, even when my life was tough and I wasn't around. You are the dopest hamburguesas that a band director could ask for. As Freshman year Jackie would say, this season was SHLAPPIN. Enjoy your break, you've earned it! Be grateful, love those around you <3 see you in 9 days!