

Non- Negotiables

Be early, be prepared musically, be warmed up and tuned

Come to rehearsal open - minded and ready to learn in ways that you might not yet understand

Commit to your musical responsibilities at any/ every moment in music rehearsals, know your musical roles at all times

Know how your principal player is functioning musically, articulative style, timbre, volume/density and expression and then apply to your own playing

Know where the melody and focal material is at all times and protect it by playing within a proper balance with it

Respect your colleagues and show ultimate respect to the podium

Stay quiet and focused

Recognize the musical accomplishments of your colleagues at every rehearsal and be sure to congratulate them when the situation warrants it

Commit to performing beyond the ink, the music lives beyond the ink

Participate in learning atmosphere artistically and academically and enjoy the experience of working hard within the arts