

Dear Louisiana All-State Concert Band,

**Congratulations on being accepted to ALL-STATE!** You are the best musicians in your state and you represent the best in music education in Louisiana. I am so looking forward to meeting you and working with you in a few short weeks! I am honored to work with you.

You will be part of a very important new pilot program utilizing PracticeFirst software from the MusicFirst Classroom. All of our music will be made available to you ASAP and you will be able to use this program to learn all of your music **BEFORE** the first rehearsal so we can spend our time together getting to know one another, making great music **and NOT learning parts**.

**Our Big Meeting:**

**Monday, January 31, 8-8:45pm**

**Zoom Link:** <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81808115069>

I look forward to meeting for the first time on this evening and discussing the fantastic musical journey we are about to share together, including talking about the Practice First software and how to use it. You'll have free access to the entire program, not just our music, FYI. If you have a conflict with this meeting, don't worry. We'll set a makeup meeting for any unable to attend – no need to reach out to anyone with conflicts. We'll contact you.

**\*\*Please look for an email from me with the information to start working on our music and access the PracticeFirst program. It will come in the next few days.**

Congratulations, again, on being named to this prestigious ensemble. It is a testament to your work ethic, talent and commitment to music. I look forward to sharing the rehearsals and concert with you and making fantastic music!

Scott Casagrande

PS: If you want to know a little about me, you can go to this [LINK](#).