

Hello Piano Majors!

This summer, consider a culture that interests you, whether from your heritage or your interest - a folk song, a national anthem, a song significant in your family. You can play it by ear, from something you hear, or you can look up an arrangement of a song on the internet....or you can go with a national anthem or folk song that you love for any reason. OR, you can learn to play the attached version of the US Star Spangled Banner, arranged by the amazing immigrant and composer, Rachmaninov. I really look forward to hearing you play again in the autumn, and remember to only practice the piano on days that you eat!

For the next school year, you will need four additional solo pieces (one each marking period), plus a jazz piece (marking period 4), a collaborative piece (marking period 3), a dance piece (marking period 2), and to begin, the year, let's study some Chopin (marking period 1). As always, middle school students are mastering the 30 major and harmonic minor scales, and high school students review them for continued mastery: 2 octaves hands together.