Hello, and thank you for your interest in the United States Naval Academy Drum & Bugle Corps (D&B)! Contained in this PDF you will find all of the materials you will need to make your plebe summer audition a successful one.

Your audition will be quite brief, and consist of some basic skills concepts using the included “Daily Grind” and “Plug ’N Play” pages and then a short reading example taken from the included music (Stribling Stroll, Thunderer, and Anchors/Marines).

Should you have any questions, feel free to email me at “weir@usna.edu”. Thanks again, and good luck!

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AUDITION FAQ’S

• The D&B is an extracurricular activity at the U.S. Naval Academy. Our members are all students at the Academy.

• The audition will take place during the first few days of plebe summer. Every platoon will attend a brief outlining who and what the D&B is, and then every plebe will be given the chance to audition.

• You can audition on more than one instrument.

• We provide all of the sticks and mallets. There will be practice pads available at the audition to warmup on.

• We will audition all instruments within the battery on the “Snare” packet. If you would like to audition on mutli-tenors/quints, please email us for more details.

• You also have the option to “pre-audition” by sending us a YouTube link of you playing excerpts from the packet. You can also include excerpts of your high school/college show.
SNARE

Daily Grind

USNA #1

LEGOS/MARCOS

HONEY C ROLLS

FLIM FLAM MAN
VARIATIONS
1. All play snare part
2. Play as written
3. Play all accents as diddles
4. Play all accents as tap drags
5. Play all accents as flam
Thunderer

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