Instructions for Virtual Band Recording

- 1. Print out a copy of your part(s) If you play an instrument that has 2 parts, you can make a recording of both parts. Percussion- If you are participating post what instruments you have at home. You can record as many parts as you have instruments.
- 2. Listen to the click track
- 3. Practice multiple times with the click track
- 4. You need 2 devices. Device #1 (computer or phone + earphones) to play Click Track/metronome and Device #2 (smartphone) to record yourself.
- 5. Set up your video recorder (smartphone, computer, camera) and do a test run to make sure you are recording pictures and sound. Put your phone/iPad in LANDSCAPE (sideways)
- 6. Avoid back-lighting in your video (e.g., do not sit in a darker room with your back to a window). Make sure you have enough light in front of you to be clearly seen
- 7. For directional brass players (trumpets & trombones), be sure to record with your bell pointed slightly away from the camera/microphone to avoid distortion. A 30-degree offset is ideal.
- 8. Please make a loud clap on the count of 4 with the click track narrator. Clap or Snap to mark to help lining up the audio/video. Silently count all rests (no audible counting, snapping, tapping)
- 9. Start recording. You may record multiple times but pick the one you are most happy with to upload. On device #1, insert earphones of the MP3 click track and play along. Use device #2 to video record you playing your part. The only audio in your video submission should be of you playing.
- 10. Upload your video to the Google drive link included in the recording email. Name you files using the following format:
 - 1. Instrument and Part Name (Trumpet 1 Steven Jones.mp4)