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Using Software to Create
Marching Band Arrangements
Quickly and Easily

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Notation software is a powerful tool for creating band scores and parts. Today, we'll focus on specific features that make creating band music faster and easier that ever before.

# Doing a whole lot less:

- 1. Score setup
- 2. Spacing
- 3. Intelligent marks (accents, staccatos, slurs)
- 4. Pre-formatted text
- 5. Transposed instruments

## Fast Editing

- 1. Click move anything, anytime
- 2. Multi-coping measures, R key
- 3. Create menu where ever you are
- 4. Navigator, Zoom
- 5. Automatic transposition, range detection

#### **Fast Arranging**

- 1. Arrange (the feature)
- 2. Instant Intervals
- 3. Multi-copy dynamics, cres

# Getting Accurate playback

- 1. Espressivo
- 2. Text instruments
- 3. Dynamics, repeats, endings, trills, rit., accel.

### A matter of timing

- 1. What is time code?
- 2. Timecode updating due to tempo changes

# Getting music into Sibelius quicker

- 1. Opening .mid files
- 2. Opening Finale files
- 3. Scanning existing music
  - a. Photoscore Lite
  - b. Photoscore Pro
- 4. MIDI step or live
- 5. Alphabetic/mouse

#### Getting music out of Sibelius

- 1. Printing
- 2. Internet: E-mail to students
- 3. Graphic export