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How To Institute an Inclusive Musical Experience for Students of All Abilities

Presented by:
Cavaliers Arts, Performance & Education

The King Cobras Mission

The King Cobras program brings a joyful musical experience to participants of all abilities, including students with special needs.

Through these experiences participants learn and grow in their musical, physical, and social capabilities.

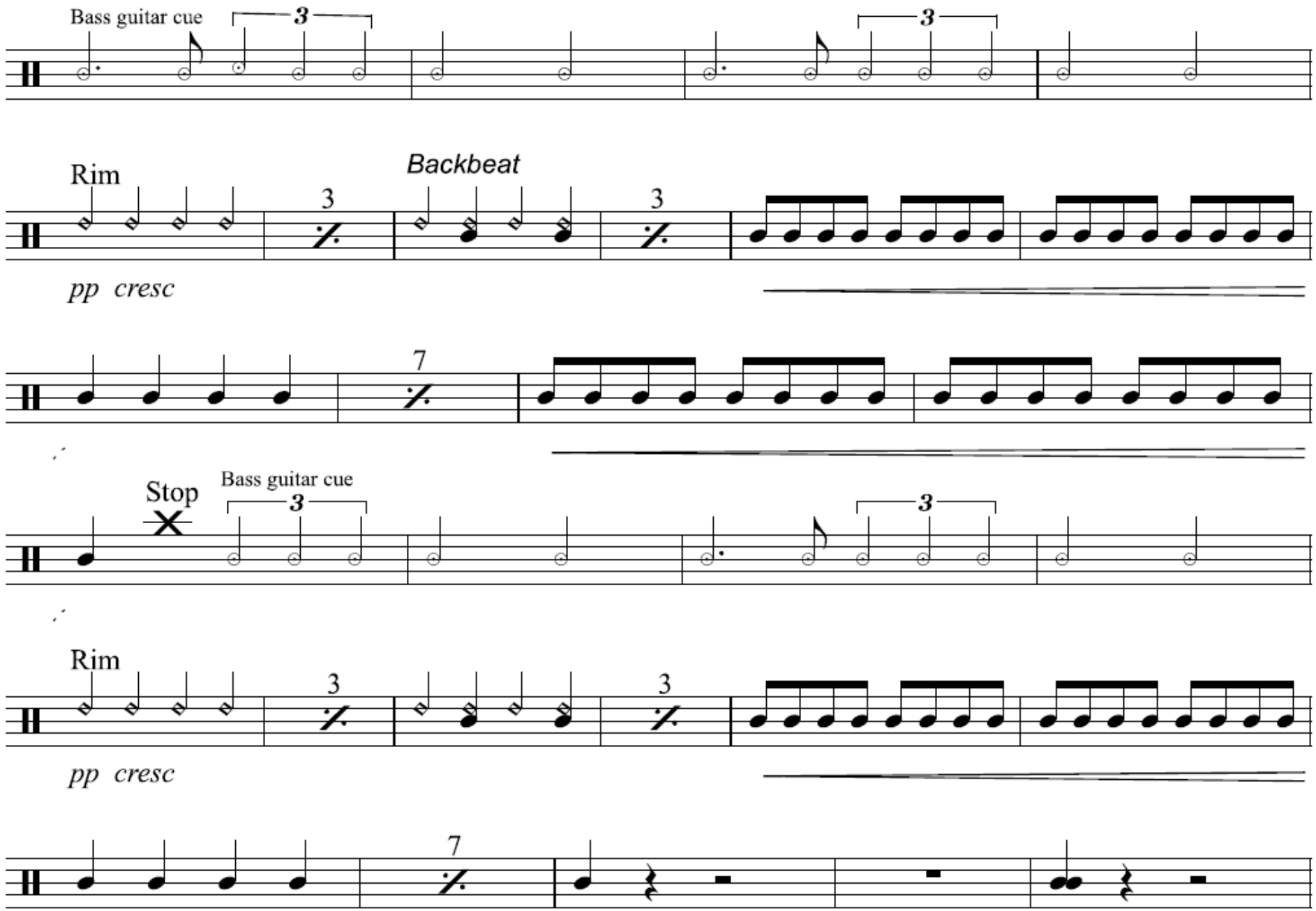


Welcome The King Cobras Drumline !

- **We Will Rock You**
- **Seven Nation Army**



7 NATION ARMY



Formula which leads to success

- Drums are altered for reduced volume
- Sticks and mallets
- Additional equipment for specific student needs
- Sound equipment and hearing protection
- Backing tracks – shortened versions of well-known songs
- Custom arrangements using rhythmic skills appropriate for students
- Instructors and aides teach, demonstrate, and perform with the students
- Mentoring by playing the song, reviewing the drumming parts, and then playing it again



Basics

How to hold the sticks Stop is an “X” Play 8 on each hand

How we break down a song Greatest Show



A Band Director's View

Patrick Whalen

Cary-Grove High School

King Cobras – Try It !

- **Party In The USA**



Special Education View

Victoria Valentine
2002 Illinois Special Education Teacher of the Year

How Directors can deliver a similar program to students at their school

- **Engage with special education staff**
- **Use resources provided by King Cobras**
- **30-45 minutes**
- **Approx. 12 participants per class**
- **Bandroom, choir room, stage, gym, or cafeteria**
- **Preset all equipment, sound system, etc.**

Resources

- Materials are here:

cavaliers.org/king-cobras-drumline/resources

- Videos of King Cobras tunes
- Guidance video
- Equipment video
- Program Summary

- Contact: Dale Hallerberg
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Q & A



The King Cobras Drumline !

- **We’re All In This Together**



Thank You !

- **Performers from Cornerstone Services of Joliet Illinois**
- **Performers from Western DuPage Special Recreation Association**

Thank You !

- **Parents and guardians**

Thank You !

- **Staff**
  - Dale Hallerberg
  - Matt Janus
  - Kevin Angle
  - Dave Pierce
  - Tami Pierce
  - Kevin Sender
  - Andrew Keith
  - Bret Kuhn



Thank You !

- **Cavaliers Arts, Performance & Education**
  Monte Mast, Executive Director
- **Cornerstone Services of Joliet Illinois**
  Kevin Angle, Drumline Director

Thank You !

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