DRILL/MUSIC BOOK ASSEMBLY



Things You'll Need:

- 1) Plastic Page Protectors (25 to 30 should get you through the season)
- 2) A **Heavy Duty** 1-inch wide 3-Ring Binder (Do NOT buy a binder labeled "economy" or "value." It will break before band camp is over!)
- 3) A pair of **wide** shoe strings (the extra width keeps it from hurting your neck)
- 4) Duct Tape

Step 1: Insert your page protectors into the binder.



Step 2: Wrap the rings with a thin layer of duct tape. This prevents the binder from accidentally opening on the field. Make sure the layer of tape is thin enough that it lets the page protector holes glide over it easily.



Step 3: Run one of the shoestrings through the rings.



Step 4: Tie one end of the second shoestring to one end the shoestring you threaded through the binder. Then, hold the book up to your side so that the spine is above your hip and the open side faces the ground. Put the shoestrings over your shoulder and across your body and see where you should tie the other ends together in order to create your shoulder strap. Tie the two remaining ends at that spot. In the end, it will look similar to this:



You can trim the excess shoestring, but you don't want it to fray, so if you decide to cut it, wrap it in tape, glue it, or find another way to keep it from coming undone.

Step 5: Fill your binder with your show music and drill as it becomes available, and if you like, tape the open ends of the page protector together to create a more watertight seal (good for protecting your materials on rainy days).

Questions? Email me at spkelley@noctrl.edu. Happy drill/music book building!
-Dr. Kelley