Practice, practice, practice. This is what life is for the students involved in band. They work hard every day. and arrive at festival and are at the mercy of the judges. Amy Dawson commented, "The judges were very hard and inconsistent in their judging. All of the other bands were judged hard. also, not just us." The senior high concert band ended up getting three fours and one three, and the junior high band received three threes and a two. Both bands practiced hard and hoped to receive higher ratings; consequently, they were understandably disappointed when the scores came back mostly threes and fours.

PLAY IT AGAIN Dustin Schueller taps the bells during the Christmas concert this past winter, while Jason Gregory, Brandon Beck, and Kevin Fabus look on.

Practicing is not the only thing that is required to be in band; you have to be a very dependable person. Getting up early on weekends once a year to make it to concert festival and coming to class every day on time are very important. If one person is absent, it changes how everyone sounds and plays. Amy Dawson commented, "I don't think being absent is the problem; people don't take band seriously. dents think it is just band and they can get a pass and go to

another class. I just don't think that is right!"

Jill Cermak remarked, "I like some of the pieces of music and there are also some that I don't like but overall it was pretty good." During the Spring Concert the senior high band played Queens in Concert, All By Myself, and Build Me Up Buttercup. Amy Dawson exclaimed, "The band concert went relatively well, considering it could have been worse."

-Valerie Miller



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First row: Amy Dawson, Sarah Johnston Second row: Adam Prescott, Rachel Billings, Katie Beck, Nicole Gilbert, Aaron Schulz Third row: Sara Turner, Steve Lowell, Jill Cermak, Vicki Gilbert, Amy Cermak, Rebeca Long, Val Miller, Kari Bearden Fourth row: Kevin Fabus, Kevin McGillis, Brandon Beck, Jason Gregory, Dustin Schueller Fifth row: Annette Cermak, Angie Simone, Mr. Derek Schumaker, Angie Turner.