

All-District Middle School Band Auditions

Saturday, October 7th, 2017

McMath Middle School

GENERAL INFORMATION FOR STUDENTS

- Students, report directly to your audition rooms upon arriving on campus.
- Check in with your room monitor and receive your tryout letter. The monitor will not call out students' names, each student must check in at the assigned audition room to receive an audition letter.
- Monitors will be on duty beginning at 7:45 a.m. to give students their audition letter as they arrive. Auditions will begin at 8:00 a.m.
- All Cell phones must be turned **OFF**, not on vibrate

WARM-UP

- The warm-up area is in the gym.
- **ABSOLUTELY NO GUM, FOOD, or DRINKS** allowed in the warm-up area. Students must know to take care of the school at all times. Do not scoot or drag cases, equipment, chairs, etc. in the warm-up area.
- No horseplay or sports activities will be tolerated inside or outside the building.
- Students are not to gather in groups to play pep-band tunes, etc.
- Percussion may warm-up on pads only, no snare drumming allowed. Percussion students must not tap their sticks on chairs, walls, floors, etc.
- Only individual and correct warm-up procedures will be allowed for all students
- Students who do not follow the expectations for good behavior may be asked to leave at the discretion of the contest coordinator or contest site host.

GENERAL AUDITION PROCEDURE

- Directions are placed outside the room and on the music stand in the audition room for guidance throughout the audition.
- Scales should be performed from memory.
- When a student finishes their audition for that day, they should go home as soon as possible.
- Students must be quiet in the hallways. They are not to play their instruments unless they are in an audition room or are in the warm-up area.
- Students are not to remain on campus once they are finished auditioning. Arrangements should be made for them to depart as soon as possible as they finish.

PERCUSSION

- Marimba, timpani, and snare drum will be available.
- Students may choose to use their own school's snare drum, but must use the marimba provided for the sake of time.

FINAL RESULTS

- FINAL RESULTS WILL NOT BE POSTED.

ALL DISTRICT BAND CLINIC / CONCERT

- Date: Friday, January 19, 2018
- Clinic: Strickland MS Auditorium, 8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
- Concert: Strickland MS Auditorium, 7:00 pm
- Students must attend the full day to receive an All – District Patch at the concert
- Students will wear the provided all district shirt and blue jeans for the concert

All District Audition Process

Winds

- Play the 2 posted major scales by memory
- Play the chromatic scale by memory
- Play the etude cut
- **WAIT FOR JUDGE TO PROMPT YOU TO COMPLETE OR CONTINUE YOUR AUDITION**

If continuing

- Play other etude cut
- Sight read (30 seconds to study before performing)

Percussion

- Play the posted major scale by memory
- Play chromatic scale by memory
- Play mallet etude cut
- Play assigned rudiment
- Play snare etude cut
- **WAIT FOR JUDGE TO PROMPT YOU TO COMPLETE OR CONTINUE YOUR AUDITION**

If continuing

- Play timpani etude cut
- Mallet sight reading (15 seconds to study before performing)

The auditions should take approximately 4-5 minutes per student

BEHAVIOR EXPECTATIONS

- Treat all parts of McMath and the grounds with respect at all times.
- NO CONCESSIONS WILL BE AVAILABLE
- The Gym will be your place to "hang out", except when you are trying out
- Students **MUST NOT** play their instruments in the halls or in the restrooms.
- There should be **NO RUNNING OR HORSEPLAY** in the halls or in the Gym at any time.
- Students should leave the campus upon the completion of their audition.

Parents and other students are not allowed in the audition areas.

THE RESULT OF A STUDENT CHOOSING TO BE DISRUPTIVE TO THE AUDITION PROCESS WILL BE AUTOMATIC DISQUALIFICATION

- You must have passed all your classes at the first 6 weeks UIL eligibility check (September 21st) to be eligible to participate in the auditions.
- If you are selected for the all district band, you must be eligible to participate in the clinic/concert.

Student Name _____

Audition Window Time _____

Please arrive at least 20 minutes before your audition window and check in with the outside monitor at your audition room.