

2021 GCBDA Clinic Audition Requirements

Auditions will be performed in the following order

MIDDLE SCHOOL WINDS/MALLETS

Scales: (20 pts) Concert C, F, Bb, Eb, Ab, Db
(10pts) in this order, under 90 seconds
Chromatic un-timed

Prepared Piece (25pts)
Sight Reading (35pts)
Tone/Intonation (10pts) -Winds
Or Technique -Mallets

MIDDLE SCHOOL PERCUSSION

Rudiments (20pts) Long Roll, 5-Stroke Roll, Single Paradiddle, Flam, Flam Accent
Students will be asked 2

Prepared Piece (30pts)
Sight Reading (40pts)
Technique (10pts)

HIGH SCHOOL WINDS

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HIGH SCHOOL MALLETS

Scales: (20 pts) Concert F, C, G, D, A, E, B, Gb, Db, Ab, Eb, Bb,
(10pts) In this order, under 3 minutes
Chromatic un-timed

Prepared Piece (25pts)
Sight Reading (35pts)
Tone/Intonation (10pts) -Winds
Or Technique -Mallets

HIGH SCHOOL PERCUSSION

Rudiments (20pts) **2020:** single stroke seven, 6-stroke roll, 13-stroke roll, triple paradiddle, flamacue, swiss army triplet, double drag tap, and single ratamacue.

Prepared Piece (30pts)
Sight Reading (40pts)
Technique (10pts)

MIDDLE SCHOOL & HIGH SCHOOL TIMPANI

Tuning Timpani (10pts) –timpani must be tuned before the prepared and sight reading
Prepared (30pts)
Sight Reading (40pts)
Technique (20pts)

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High School Winds

Major Scales: Scales are to be played beginning on **Concert F** and following the Circle of 5ths; **Concert F, C, G, D, A, E, B(Cb), F#(Gb), C#(Db), Ab, Eb, Bb**. The order is to be listed on the student's stand in the audition room as a reminder. Scales do NOT have to be memorized. Students may use the scale sheets.

A scale evaluation sheet will be used by all judges. If a scale is played incorrectly or skipped, it may be attempted at the end of the sequence, if there is time remaining in the **three minute limit**.

Scales must be played using the following notation. (**quarter note, two eighths, two eighths, two eighths**). There is no limit to the amount of octaves you can play for each scale. The scales will be tongued and slurred either direction where applicable.

The suggested **minimum** tempo for the major scales is quarter note = 90 BPM.

Chromatic Scale: A chromatic scale is to be played beginning and ending on any pitch selected by the student. The chromatic scale should cover the **full practical range of the instrument** and will be used to assess the student's performance ability and range. The chromatic scale is to be played from memory and is not part of the timed portion of the audition. The scale will be **tongued ascending** and **slurred descending** (trombones use legato tongue technique). The chromatic scale may be performed using **straight eighth notes or triplets**.

The suggested **minimum** tempo for the chromatic scale is quarter note = 90 BPM.

Here is the **recommended** full practical range for each instrument to receive full credit for their chromatic scale portion of the audition.

Flute - 3 octaves from C (B if instrument allows)

Clarinet - 3 octaves from E

Bass Clarinet - 3 octaves from E

Eb Contra Alto Clarinet and Bb Contra Bass Clarinet - 2 octaves from E

Oboe - 2 octaves from D

Bassoon - 3 octaves from Bb

Alto Sax - 2.5 octaves from Bb to F

Tenor Sax - 2.5 octaves from Bb to F

Bari Sax - 2.5 octaves from Bb to F

Trumpet - 2.5 octaves from F# to C

Horn - 2.5 octaves from F to C

Trombone - 2.5 octaves from E to Bb

Baritone BC - 2.5 octaves from E to Bb

Baritone TC - 2.5 octaves from F# to C

Tuba - 2.5 octaves from E to Bb

Prepared Etude: A prepared etude of two contrasting styles will be performed to demonstrate the student's musicianship. The student will receive the prepared etude in **early December** from either their band director or by downloading it from the GCBDA website. Students are encouraged to bring their own copy of the etude to the audition but a copy will be available in the audition room.

Sight-reading: A short sight-reading exercise will be performed to demonstrate the student's reading ability. The student will have **thirty seconds** to study the piece before playing it.

Rationale - The attempt of this proposal is to create clear guidelines for our students to follow as they prepare for their GCBDA Clinic Honor Band audition. It also will give us a uniform set of performances to adjudicate.

The two-octave limit on major scales is designed to assist with the time limit. The performance range of the student can be ascertained by their performance of the chromatic scale.

2021 GCBDA Clinic Audition Requirements - Jazz Bands

ALL WINDS/GUITAR/PIANO/BASS/VIBES

Scales

(20 pts)

Concert C Ionian (Major)

Concert F Mixolydian

Concert Bb Lydian Dominant

Concert Eb Dorian.

(All scales should be performed as indicated on the scale sheet. Multiple octaves are encouraged where applicable.)

Prepared Piece

(40 pts)

Sight Reading

(40 pts)

(Piano, Guitar, Bass and Vibes should be prepared to sight read chord symbols as well as written parts.)

Improvisation (optional)

(5 bonus pts)

Up to 5 additional points may be awarded for adding improvisation. Selection will be Aebersold Vol. 2: *Nothin' But Blues* Track 5: Fast Blues in Bb - 2 choruses (24measures)

DRUMS

Style Evaluation

(40 pts)

Play at least 8 measures of each style listed below.

Ballad—Quarter Note = 55-70 bpm (using brushes in swing style)

Funk—Quarter Note = 92-112 bpm

Bossa Nova—Quarter Note = 100-120 bpm

Rock—Quarter Note = 92-112 bpm

Each style should conclude with a “fill.”

Drummers may stop between styles, if they wish, or musically connect each style.

Prepared Piece

(20 pts)

Improvisational (optional)

(5 bonus pts)

Show improvisational skills by repeating the prepared piece, maintaining the same style.

Sight Reading

(40 pts)