

District IV Band Auditions: Student Instructions

All students are to enter the building from the main parking lot and follow the signs to your registration area. Be certain that you are standing in the line for the proper band (e.g., High School or Middle School). Once registered, all students will report to the auditorium to wait their time to warm-up. Students are not allowed to play instruments in the auditorium, or any other school area. Students are only allowed in the warm-up areas prior to their audition time as instructed by the audition chair or designee. Please do not bring food or drink into the auditorium. Students are not allowed to wander the halls of the school before or after auditions. ***Failure to abide by these rules could result in disqualification.***

Remember to report to your registration area at the time indicated for your specific instrument to register. Registration for your instrument will remain open for thirty minutes. Once your number is called in the waiting area, you will be escorted (by a guide) to both the warm-up and audition rooms. You are responsible for listening for and responding to your number in the waiting area. ***Your band director must be in attendance for the entire event and have all fees paid in order for you to register and audition.***

In the audition room, ***follow the judges' instructions.*** You will be asked to perform your major scales, chromatic scale, prepared piece and sightreading. If at any time you are unsure of what to play or do, discreetly ask the guide for clarification. The guide will speak on your behalf, and the judge will clarify the instructions.

Timpani and mallet instruments will be provided, but you may use your own if you desire. Students auditioning on timpani and mallet instruments (bells / xylophone) must provide their own mallets. Snare drums must be furnished by the student and set up on the stand before entering the audition room.

All scales must be memorized. Bring only your copy of the prepared piece into the audition room.

NOTE to students taking the ACT exam: Any student taking the ACT exam on Saturday should have their band director notify the audition chair prior to the audition date to make necessary arrangements. Registration for all sections will be closed before your arrival, so the chair must know you are coming and inform the judges that an additional student will be coming at a later time. ***You must arrive at Grassfield HS by 12:30 PM to register.***