



2027 MUSIC FOR ALL NATIONAL FESTIVAL
HONOR BAND OF AMERICA
WINDS AUDITION RUBRIC



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HONOR BAND: WINDS AUDITION REQUIREMENTS

- Two (2) two-octave major scales of your choice
- One two-octave chromatic scale – starting pitch of your choice
- Two contrasting (in style and tempo) excerpts of your own choosing, each approximately two minutes in length.
- Students are encouraged to perform an excerpt that showcases technique and range, as well as an excerpt that showcases expressive and lyrical qualities.

SCALES

Scale #1	Points Awarded	1- Beginning	2- Emerging	3- Developing	4- Proficient	5- Exemplary
Tone Quality		Demonstrates minimal control of tone and instrumental technique, with significant inaccuracies and lack of precision throughout the performance.	Displays inconsistent tone quality and limited command of the instrument, with frequent errors affecting accuracy and precision.	Produces an appropriate tone quality and shows developing command of the instrument, with moderate accuracy and occasional inconsistencies in precision.	Demonstrates a characteristic tone and solid command of the instrument, with good accuracy and precision throughout most of the performance.	Exhibits a characteristic and refined tone, confident command of the instrument, and a high level of accuracy and precision throughout the performance.
Note/Rhythmic Accuracy						
2 Octave Range						
Tempo						
Articulation						

Scale #1 Total Points _____

Scale #2	Points Awarded	1- Beginning	2- Emerging	3- Developing	4- Proficient	5- Exemplary
Tone Quality		Demonstrates minimal control of tone and instrumental technique, with significant inaccuracies and lack of precision throughout the performance.	Displays inconsistent tone quality and limited command of the instrument, with frequent errors affecting accuracy and precision.	Produces an appropriate tone quality and shows developing command of the instrument, with moderate accuracy and occasional inconsistencies in precision.	Demonstrates a characteristic tone and solid command of the instrument, with good accuracy and precision throughout most of the performance.	Exhibits a characteristic and refined tone, confident command of the instrument, and a high level of accuracy and precision throughout the performance.
Note/Rhythmic Accuracy						
2 Octave Range						
Tempo						
Articulation						

Scale #2 Total Points _____

Chromatic Scale	Points Awarded	1- Beginning	2- Emerging	3- Developing	4- Proficient	5- Exemplary
Tone Quality		Demonstrates minimal control of tone and instrumental technique, with significant inaccuracies and lack of precision throughout the performance.	Displays inconsistent tone quality and limited command of the instrument, with frequent errors affecting accuracy and precision.	Produces an appropriate tone quality and shows developing command of the instrument, with moderate accuracy and occasional inconsistencies in precision.	Demonstrates a characteristic tone and solid command of the instrument, with good accuracy and precision throughout most of the performance.	Exhibits a characteristic and refined tone, confident command of the instrument, and a high level of accuracy and precision throughout the performance.
Note/Rhythmic Accuracy						
2 Octave Range						
Tempo						
Articulation						

Chromatic Total Points _____

TWO CONTRASTING EXCERPTS

Excerpt #1	Points Awarded	0-2 Beginning	3-4 Emerging	5-6 Developing	7-8 Proficient	9-10 Exemplary
Tone Quality		Demonstrates minimal control of tone quality, significant accuracy errors, and insufficient technical command. Phrasing lacks musical direction, and expression is largely absent. The musical character of the excerpt is not effectively demonstrated.	Demonstrates inconsistent tone quality, frequent accuracy errors, and limited technical command. Phrasing is often unclear or underdeveloped, and expression is minimal. The musical character of the excerpt is only occasionally evident.	Demonstrates appropriate tone quality and moderate accuracy with developing technical skills. Phrasing shows some musical intent but lacks consistency. Expression is present but limited and may not fully communicate the character of the excerpt.	Demonstrates a characteristic tone quality, strong accuracy, and solid technical command throughout most of the excerpt. Phrasing is generally musical and appropriate, and expression effectively communicates the musical intent with minor inconsistencies.	Demonstrates a characteristic and refined tone quality, exceptional accuracy, and confident technical command throughout the excerpt. Phrasing is musical and stylistically appropriate, and expression enhances the performance with maturity and artistry.
Note/Rhythmic Accuracy						
Technique						
Phrasing						
Expression						

Excerpt #1 Total Points _____

Excerpt #2	Points Awarded	0-2 Beginning	3-4 Emerging	5-6 Developing	7-8 Proficient	9-10 Exemplary
Tone Quality		Demonstrates minimal control of tone quality, significant accuracy errors, and insufficient technical command. Phrasing lacks musical direction, and expression is largely absent. The musical character of the excerpt is not effectively demonstrated.	Demonstrates inconsistent tone quality, frequent accuracy errors, and limited technical command. Phrasing is often unclear or underdeveloped, and expression is minimal. The musical character of the excerpt is only occasionally evident.	Demonstrates appropriate tone quality and moderate accuracy with developing technical skills. Phrasing shows some musical intent but lacks consistency. Expression is present but limited and may not fully communicate the character of the excerpt.	Demonstrates a characteristic tone quality, strong accuracy, and solid technical command throughout most of the excerpt. Phrasing is generally musical and appropriate, and expression effectively communicates the musical intent with minor inconsistencies.	Demonstrates a characteristic and refined tone quality, exceptional accuracy, and confident technical command throughout the excerpt. Phrasing is musical and stylistically appropriate, and expression enhances the performance with maturity and artistry.
Note/Rhythmic Accuracy						
Technique						
Phrasing						
Expression						

Excerpt #2 Total Points _____

Audition	Scale #1	Scale #2	Chromatic	Excerpt #1	Excerpt #2	Total Points
Points						