

Middle School Jazz Ensemble Audition Material

The following is supplemental information that is specific to the Middle School Jazz Ensemble. All paragraphs with reference to All-State Jazz Ensemble will not apply.

SCALES: Ab, F, Chromatic

Wind or rhythm students shall perform all six of the major scales used for honor band auditions in the following order:

Rhythm players should play all scales 2 octaves. The piano is to play 2-octave chromatic starting on any pitch. Pianists must play scales hands-together. All other pitch requirements are listed below:

Middle School Octave Requirements

Instrument	C	F	Bb	Eb	Ab	Db/C#	Chromatic
Alto Sax	1	2	1	1	1	1	C-C (2)
Tenor Sax	1	1	2	1	1	1	C-C (2)
Bari Sax	1	2	1	1	1	1	C-G (1½)
Trumpet	1	2	1	1	1	1	C-G (1½)
Trombone	1	2	1	1	1	1	Bb-F (1½)
Bass Trombone	1	2	1	1	1	1	Bb-F (1½)
Guitar	2	2	2	2	2	2	E-E (2)
Electric Bass	2	2	2	2	2	2	E-E (2)
Piano	2	2	2	2	2	2	2 octaves

Scales are listed in concert pitch.

Prepared Material: 2011-2012 will use Set II

- The prepared material for all instruments will be taken from the *Essential Elements for Jazz* method book. There are individual books, which include the CD for each instrument. Students must perform audition material with the CD accompaniment. The judging panel will provide CD and sound system at the audition site.

All Saxes, Trumpets, Trombones, Vibes:

Set II (2011-2012)

59. Demonstration Solo for St. Louis Blues, pg. 17 (Play as written - swing style with CD) **1st 12 bars**

84. Melody Workout, pg. 24 (Without CD Swing or Straight)

Sight-reading

Guitar, Piano (Both Hands):

Set II (2011-2012)

58. St. Louis Blues - Full Band Arrangement, meas. 1-19, pg. 17 (Play as written - swing style with CD) **1st 12 bars**

84. Melody Workout, pg. 24 (Without CD Swing or Straight)
Sight-reading

Bass:

Set II (2011-2012)

58. St. Louis Blues - Full Band Arrangement - meas. 1-19, pg. 17 (Play as written - swing style with CD),

84. Melody Workout, pg. 24 (Straight or Swing 8th notes without CD)

Sight-reading

Drum Set:

Set II (2011-2012)

Demonstrate at least 8 bars of each of the following styles:

Rock

58. St. Louis Blues - Full Band Arrangement - meas. 1-19, pg 17 (Play as written - swing style with CD)

118. Make Up Your Own - 2 Bar Solos Using the Blues Scale, pg. 30 (Bossa Nova style with CD)

Sight-reading

If you are interested in Latin/Auxiliary Percussion, please indicate this to the judges.