

ALL-STATE JAZZ AUDITION INFORMATION

Registration Deadline - Friday, November 4

Registration Fee - \$10.00

- Can be paid with BCP's, cash or check made payable to *NHS Band Boosters*.

Audition Date – Saturday, January 21

- If the auditions are postponed due to inclement weather, the auditions will be on January 28.

Audition Site – Lexington High School

- Students will need to provide their own transportation to the auditions as it is not possible to provide a bus for this event.

Audition Requirements:

- **12 Major Scales:** to be played from memory (two-minute time limit; play as many 2 octave scales as possible)
- **Chromatic Scale:** to be played from memory from the lowest to the highest notes possible on your instrument. Time limit is one minute. Minimum tempo is quarter note = 120. Rhythm is eighth or triplet eighth notes.
- **Required Solo** (two-minute time limit)
- **Sight-reading:** 2 examples 8 to 12 measures in length. One is in a swing style and the other will have even 8ths.
- **F-Blues Improvisation:** At least one 12 bar chorus
- **Drums:** Same requirements except students will be asked to demonstrate their ability to perform various styles. Notation of each style and a video of how to perform each style can be found by [clicking here](#). Show improvisational skills by “trading fours” with a recording. [Click here](#) to access a practice recording of “trading fours”.

Additional Information:

- The audition schedule will be posted in early December
- Students who qualify for one of the all-state jazz ensembles will participate in the SCBDA All-State Jazz Honors Band Clinic at Newberry College, on March 2-4.
- Students who audition, and achieve the minimum score to be seated in the band, also earn points towards receiving their NHS Letter
- Students interested in being a part of the student leadership team during the 2023-2024 school year must audition for region band or all-state jazz ensemble.
- Click [HERE](#) for more detailed information about the audition requirements.

Click [HERE](#) to complete the All-State Jazz registration form. The deadline to submit this form is Friday, November 4th.