

HCISD Middle School All-City Band

Audition date will be either 1st or 2nd Tuesday in November-to not conflict with date of Texas State Marching Contest.

Audition Date: November 7, 2017 Time: 5:00pm Site: Vela MS

Clinic/Concert: November 14, 2017 Time: 9:00am-4:30pm, Concert at 6:00pm Site: HCISD PAC

TRYOUT PROCEDURES

Entries are due one week prior to audition to Contest Chair.

Two band directors or music consultants serve on each judging panel (except percussion). There are 10 panels for wind instruments and one percussion judge for each percussion instrument (snare, mallets, timpani). Grouping of instruments can vary depending on number of entries per instrument.

Tryout procedure is in alignment with the TMEA format. Details are also discussed at the meeting before the tryout.

Round 1:

_____ Scale (slurred or tongued-judge's choice)

Etude #1 Slow Exercise_____

Round 2: (Begin 1/3 down)

Chromatic Scale (student may choose to tongue or slur)

Etude #2 Fast Exercise_____

Students may play their 1st note before beginning each scale or etude

30 second warm-up after every 5 students

TRYOUT MATERIAL

The All-City tryout music is the same material used for Region Band Auditions for current year. Cuts for each instrument will be pre-assigned. Students play one major scale and the chromatic scale by memory. The judges chose the key of scales from the All-Region scale page.

ELIGIBILITY

Only eligible 7-8 grade students attending HCISD middle schools or private/home schools in the HCISD zone are eligible to tryout.

WINNERS

Students earning a chair in All-City MS Band and participate in the clinic/concert earn a **PATCH**. (see chart)

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The band has a total of 96 students. The instrumentation is as follows:

- Flute – 10
- Oboe – 2
- Bassoon – 3
- Clarinet – 16
- Alto clarinet – 2
- Bass clarinet – 3
- Contra alto clarinet – 2
- Alto sax – 6
- Tenor sax – 3
- Bari sax – 2
- Cornet – 10
- French horn – 8
- Trombone – 8
- Baritone – 6
- Tuba – 6
- Percussion – 9

*other instruments may be added if necessary for performance of selected repertoire