



23-24 Jazz Band Audition

Bari Sax

Greetings Band Students and Parents,

Thank you for your interest in the band program at Cherokee Trail High School. The Cherokee Trail Band Program consists of 5 bands: Concert Band and Jazz Band I are open to any student interested in participating; Wind Ensemble, Jazz Band II, and Jazz Band III are audition-only groups. (Due to limited space available for jazz drummers, all drummers will be required to audition for a spot in Jazz Band I, II, and III)

The audition process is designed to help me place students in the ensemble that best matches their current skill and will provide them with the educational support needed throughout the school year. The process is not a judgment on the student as a person nor a statement of their long-term potential as a musician. It is merely a snapshot in time of their current playing. It is important for all students auditioning to do their very best and show their current skill, potential, and preparation. With all scales and excerpts, the tempos given are guidelines. It is more important to play clean, than fast. However, fast and clean would earn the most points.

Auditions will be held in the Cherokee Trail High School Band Room.

- Students new to CT will audition on May 3rd. Signup for an audition at ctband.org

Please contact me with any questions about the audition process or the music program at Cherokee Trail.

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Excerpts:

Scales: 2 or more octaves are preferred when possible

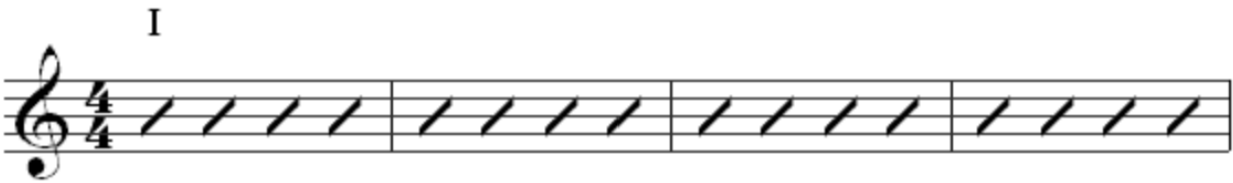
Major Scales: C, D, Eb

Harmonic Minor Scales: d, e

Chromatic Scale:

Improv: Please improv one chorus of the Bb Blues.

Bb Blues track for improvisation is available at ctband.org or on Schoology.



Sight Reading: A short sight reading excerpt might be provided

MEDIUM SWING (♩=160)

Handwritten musical score for Medium Swing (♩=160). The score consists of five staves of music. The first staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (Bb). The tempo is marked as MEDIUM SWING with a quarter note equal to 160 beats per minute. The music is written in a style that includes various chord annotations above the notes. The chords are: Fmaj7, A♭7, D7, Gmin7, B♭7, E7, Amin7, Gmin7, C7, Amin7, D7, Gmin7, B♭min7, Eb7, Fmaj7, Emin7, A7, Dmin7, G7, Gmin7, C7, Fmaj7, A♭7, D7, Gmin7, B♭7, E7.

STRAIGHT 8THS (♩=120)

Handwritten musical score for Straight 8ths (♩=120). The score consists of three staves of music. The first staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The tempo is marked as STRAIGHT 8THS with a quarter note equal to 120 beats per minute. The music is written in a style that includes straight eighth notes and rests.