

All Region Band Audition Information

BRASS and PERCUSSION - Saturday, October 19, at Irons JHS

For TRUMPET, HORN, TROMBONE, BASS TROMBONE, and PERCUSSION

The All Region audition consists of two phases. EVERYONE takes part in the morning phase. Only those players who earn spots in the All Region Band participate in the afternoon phase of the auditions. Results are posted in the cafeteria approximately 20-30 minutes following the completion of the morning round of auditions. If you earn a spot in the All Region Band, you will participate in the afternoon audition phase. If you do not, then you are free to leave at that time.

Bass trombone happens at the very beginning of the audition. It only involves a handful of students, and, once complete, those students are done for the remainder of the day. There is only one phase for bass trombone.

6:50 AM **Meet in Willow Wood Band Hall to go through a warm-up with Mr. Jaime (brass).** You have worked for about two months to get ready for this audition. We want to make sure you are properly warmed up and ready to go. Be sure to eat breakfast prior to arrival at Willow Wood. Percussionists will have access to the percussion instruments to practice on at this time. We will travel to Irons JHS by school bus after brass warm-up with Mr. Jaime. **BUSES WILL DEPART PROMPTLY AT 7:15 AM.**

Upon Arrival **Report to our assigned table in the cafeteria.** Your audition room assignment will be listed on a sheet at this table. You may not warm-up or play in the cafeteria. You will be called and escorted to your audition room around 8:30 AM, and you will be allowed a brief warm-up once you have been checked in to your audition room.

You will leave your instrument case and other belongings at the table assigned to us. All that you may take to the audition room are your instrument, binder with music, and a pencil. You can also take something to read. No cell phones. There will be a parent to monitor your stuff.

11:30 AM **Approximate time of completion of morning audition phase** (some rooms may take longer – percussion WILL take longer). Report to the cafeteria, and await posting of results for your room. If you earn a spot in the All Region Band, you will need to stay for the afternoon audition phase. You may eat lunch at this time (either sack lunch or purchase food from the concession stand). If you are not selected then you are finished with auditions and may elect to be picked up by parents or wait for our bus to depart around 4:30 PM.

12:30 PM **Approximate time that you will be called to your audition rooms for Phase 2** (if you were selected to the All Region Band).

4:30 PM **Approximate time of completion of Phase 2.** Percussion may take slightly longer. Following Phase 2, the chair order and band assignments for the All Region Band are posted. The very top chairs in certain sections are also selected to the All Region Orchestra.

5:15 PM **Approximate time of arrival back at Willow Wood JHS.** We will update via Twitter and allow students to use cell phones if the time changes. The band Twitter account is @wwjband.

For EUPHONIUM and TUBA

The audition consists of two rounds, held in the afternoon. Results are posted 20-30 minutes following the completion of the first round. If you are selected to move to Phase 2, then you will have another round of auditions. If not, you are finished with auditions and may elect to be picked up by parents or wait for our bus to depart around 4:30 PM.

12:00 noon **Report to our assigned table in the cafeteria by this time.** Your audition room assignment will be listed on a sheet at this table. You may not warm-up or play in the cafeteria. You will be called and escorted to your audition room around 12:30 PM, and you will be allowed a brief warm-up once you have been checked in to your audition room.

3:30 PM **Approximate time of completion of Phase 1.** Some sections will go longer. Results will be posted in the cafeteria. After viewing results, you are free to go home if not selected to Phase 2. If advancing to Phase 2, you will have another round of auditions for chair placement in the All Region Band (this usually takes about an hour and should wind up around 4:00 or 4:30 PM).

For EVERYONE

4:30 PM **Approximate time of departure from Irons JHS.**

5:15 PM **Approximate time of arrival at Willow Wood JHS.** When we depart from Irons, we will have students text parents to update expected arrival time.

Euphonium and Tuba players do not have to ride the bus with us on Saturday morning and may elect to take their own transportation to arrive at Irons by noon. We will transport tubas to and from Irons JHS.

*****If you will be picked up by your parents (following morning auditions, after Phase 2 or the afternoon auditions), whoever is taking you home must SIGN YOU OUT on the form at the Willow Wood table. If your parents have not arrived by the time our buses are ready to leave, you will need to ride the bus.**

There will be a concession stand in the cafeteria with breakfast, lunch, drinks, and snack items. Wear comfortable, but nice looking, clothes. Jeans are fine, shorts are not. **Do not wear your band T-shirt or anything else that identifies you as a student from Willow Wood.**

Be respectful to all contest workers and fellow students. Do not talk while in the audition room, and be as mindful of not causing distractions as you would hope others would be for you. Some students will bring a book or even a coloring book so that they have something to do while others are playing. No electronic devices of any kind (cell phones, iPods, etc.) are allowed in the audition room.

You may use a metronome to set your tempo, but it must be set on silent (flashing light only) and must be turned off and placed under the student chair prior to performance. Phones may not be used as metronomes; it must be an "old-school" metronome. Students may not bring personal cell phones or other devices into the audition room. We will have parent volunteers at our assigned cafeteria table to monitor student belongings.