

## Student Instructions: District IV Band Auditions

Saturday, December 13th  
Hickory Middle School  
1997 Hawk Blvd  
Chesapeake, VA 23322

Congratulations! You have registered for the District Band Auditions! Auditions will take place on Saturday, December 13<sup>th</sup> at Hickory Middle School in Chesapeake, Virginia. All students are to enter the building through the main entrance from the main parking lot. You will see signs leading you to the check-in area (Cafeteria). Be certain that you are standing in the line for the proper band (*e.g.*, High School/Middle School). Remember to report to your check-in area at the time indicated for your specific instrument. Check-in for your instrument will remain open for thirty minutes.

Once checked in, students will report to the auditorium to wait for their time to warm-up. Students are not allowed to play instruments in the auditorium, or any other school area. Students are only allowed in the warm-up areas prior to their audition time as instructed by the audition chair or designee. Do not bring food or drink into the auditorium. Students are not allowed to wander the halls of the school before or after auditions. ***Failure to abide by these rules may result in disqualification.***

When your number is called in the waiting area (auditorium), you will be escorted (by a guide) to the warm-up and audition rooms. You are responsible for listening for and responding to your number in the waiting area.

In the audition room, ***follow the judges' instructions.*** You will be asked to perform your major scales, chromatic scale, prepared piece, and sight-reading. If at any time you are unsure of what to play or do, discreetly signal the guide for clarification. The guide will speak on your behalf, and the judge will clarify the instructions. At no point should the judges be able to hear your voice. Major scales for MIDDLE SCHOOL will be called by concert pitch AND starting pitch. High School scales will just be called by starting pitch.

Timpani and xylophones will be provided. Students auditioning on timpani and xylophone must provide their own mallets. Snare drums and drumsticks must be furnished by the student. Timpani students should plan to use a pitch pipe or the provided mallet instrument to tune the timpani.

All scales must be memorized. You may bring your copy of the prepared piece into the audition room (*if there are no scales written on it*), but no other pieces of music, binders, or folders are allowed. All cell phones must remain off while in the audition room. Any student using their cell phone for any reason while in the audition room is subject to disqualification.

If you have any questions about this process, please talk to your Band Director before the audition day.

**2025 MIDDLE SCHOOL District Band Auditions**  
**Arrival Time Schedule**

<b>Instrument</b>	<b>Last Name</b>	<b>Arrival Time</b>
<b>Flute</b>	A-G	8:00
	H-L	9:15
	M-R	10:15
	S-Z	11:15
<b>Oboe</b>	All	8:00
<b>Bassoon</b>	All	8:45
<b>Bb Clarinet</b>	A-G	8:00
	H-N	9:30
	O-Z	10:30
<b>Bass Clarinet</b>	All	8:00
<b>Alto Sax</b>	A-G	9:30
	H-M	10:30
	N-R	11:30
	S-Z	12:00
<b>Tenor Sax</b>	All	8:30
<b>Bari Sax</b>	All	8:00
<b>Trumpet</b>	A-G	8:00
	H-M	9:00
	N-S	10:00
	T-Z	11:00
<b>Horn</b>	A-L	8:00
	M-Z	9:00
<b>Trombone</b>	A-L	9:30
	M-Z	11:00
<b>Baritone</b>	All	8:00
<b>Tuba</b>	A-L	8:00
	M-Z	9:15
<b>Percussion</b>	A-G	8:00
	H-M	9:15
	N-S	10:15
	T-Z	11:15
<b>Timpani</b>	All	8:00