

# ❧ ALL-REGION MOCK AUDITION ❧

One of the biggest fears students have in Band is playing by themselves and/or performing in front of a judge. To help our students have confident and well prepared audition, we will have a Mock Audition on Wednesday, October 29. Last year's eighth graders felt this was an invaluable tool and helped them feel much more relaxed in their real audition.

On the evening of the 29<sup>th</sup> the audition will begin at 5:00 and run until 7:30. Each student will only need to plan on being at Staley for 30 to 45 minutes. The time blocks will run as follows; 5-5:30, 5:30-6, 6-6:30, 6:30-7, and 7-7:30. I can accommodate conflicts if they are given to me **in writing by Wednesday, October 22<sup>nd</sup>**. Please include what the conflict is and what time block would be best for the student. While I will do my best to work with all students, I may not be able to schedule everyone at their desired times. I will work with conflicts on a first come, first served basis so please get your written requests in as soon as possible.

Below is the suggested time frame for your mock audition:

- 15 minutes before your time block arrive at the Band Hall (use the exterior door)
  - Please do not plan on staying in the Band Hall after school unless you are in the first time block.
- Once you arrive check in at your room to receive your audition 'letter' and see the excerpt cuts.
  - Please mark the cuts on your music.
  - Your audition letter will keep you anonymous throughout the audition process as well as tell you what order you are playing in. ***Please remember that you are not to talk once you are inside the audition room.***
- Go back to the Band Hall to uncase and warm up
  - Get a good warm up which includes air, long-tones, scales, and a run of your etudes.
  - **DO NOT WEAR YOURSELF OUT IN THE WARM-UP ROOM!**
- 5 minutes before your block report to your room and wait quietly in the hallway.
- Your room monitor will let you know when to go in the room and proceed with your audition. If you have any questions, you must raise your hand and ask your room monitor outside the room so the judges do not hear your voice.
- Your audition will consist of the following: 2 scales & full range chromatic (all three from memory), an excerpt of your Lyrical etude (with music), and an excerpt of your Technical etude (with music).
- Once you finish your audition you will need to case up and go home. You may use the Band Hall phone once you have finished if you need to.

***PARENTS-** I will need chaperone and room /monitors to help me run the contest and check in students. If you are interested in helping out for the entire time or half the time (5:00-6:15 or 6:15-7:30) please email me at [woodc@friscoisd.org](mailto:woodc@friscoisd.org)*

## **DON'T FORGET PARENTS! I NEED YOUR HELP WITH THIS EVENT!!!**

**❧ ALL REGION PHASE I- THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 6 ❧**

Phase I will take place at Polk Middle School. Specific instructions and bus permission slip will be sent home next week. **AUDITIONS ARE THREE WEEKS FROM TODAY! STAY FOCUSED!!!**