## 2022 Alabama All-State / District Honor Band



Audition Info & Materials

SOUTHSIDE HIGH SCHOOL BAND

THE PRIDE OF SOUTHSIDE

## All-State Band Audition Information

#### What is All-State

The All-State Bands are three large ensembles of the most talented band students in the state and our local district. To achieve a spot in one of these bands, students must prepare an audition of scales, two exercises (etudes), and sight-reading for a blind panel of judges. The All-State experience is an unforgettable one. Students get to perform with the most talented musicians and conductors in the nation. Just preparing for the audition gives students invaluable life skills such as determination, discipline, and focus.

Simply put, we have one of the best band programs in the state, because we have some of the best kids! Auditioning for All-State makes our band stronger. Also, auditioning for all-state (not making it, but simply auditioning) is a requirement for all student leaders of the Southside Band.

Registration Deadline: Friday, Dec. 3, 2021 - \$15.00

CLICK HERE TO REGISTER ONLINE: https://www.theprideofsouthside.com/all-state-

band-info.html

### **Information**

#### **Audition Date**

Saturday, January 8, 2022 – Albertville HS 402 E McCord Ave, Albertville, AL 35950

#### **District II Honor Band Festival**

February 11-12, 2022 - Albertville HS Fine Arts Center

#### **All-State Band Festival**

April 6-9, 2022 - Mobile, AL

## **How to Prepare**

#### **Etude Recordings**

• Listen online at the <u>University of South Alabama Music Department's YouTube Channel</u>. They have source recordings of their professors performing the various etudes.

#### PRACTICE!

Practice your scales everyday so that they feel "easy" at the audition

Stay calm & focused

Ask for help

Take lessons from a teacher who plays your instrument

#### **Helpful Tips:**

"Tips for Success at All-State Auditions" by Chris Clark
"The Complete Guide to Making All-State" by Jeremy Maclay

Look on the following pages for instrument-specific audition information.



<u>2022 All State</u> <u>Percussion</u>

## Exercises - Set 2

ABA Policy is that students must have their own copy of the book to audition for All State Band. Photocopying audition material is prohibited.

## **HS PERCUSSION - MALLETS**

**Mallet Requirements:** The mallet audition is to be performed with appropriate mallets. **(Mallets will not be provided.)** 

Scale Requirements: 12 Major Scales and Arpeggios Scale Order: C, F, Bb, Eb, Ab, Db, Gb, B, E, A, D, G

Each scale should be performed in two octaves, with alternate sticking, including
arpeggio. One point will be awarded for each completed scale, and one point for each
corresponding arpeggio. It is recommended that the performers play each scale at
MM=100, per quarter note (playing eighth notes). Each student must pass seven scales
and their related arpeggio in order to proceed to the etude and sight reading portions of
the audition.

Minor Scales and Arpeggios: C Harmonic Minor and A Melodic Minor. These scales should also be performed with alternate sticking, including arpeggios.

**Chromatic Scale:** The chromatic scale should be performed A-A, 2 octaves, with alternate sticking.

#### Scales Total - 32 points

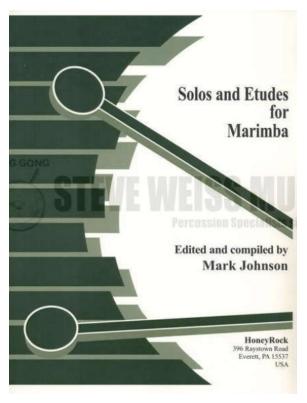
#### **Prepared Etudes - 65 Points**

- Solos and Etudes for Marimba by Mark Johnson
   Pg 76, "Rondo". Start at the beginning and stop on beat one of measure 37.
- Sand Mountain, by Jason Baker. (Located at the end of this document.)

Playing Technique - 23 Points

Sight Reading - 70 Points

# HS PERCUSSION - SNARE DRUM



Snare Drum Requirements: The snare drum audition will be performed on a concert snare drum concert snare sticks. (Sticks and snare drum will not be provided.)

#### **Required Rudiments: 32 Points**

• Single Stroke Roll - performed open-closed-open with smooth transition. (16 points)

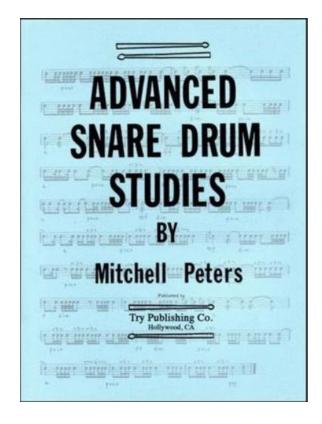
• Double Stroke Roll - performed open-closed-open with smooth transition. (16 points)

#### **Prepared Etude - 65 Points**

 Advanced Snare Drum Studies by Mitchell Peters - Etude 23: 8th note pickup to Line 5, measure 4, to pg. 47 line 5 after 2nd note in the measure.

Playing Technique - 23 points

Sight Reading - 70 Points



## **HS PERCUSSION - TIMPANI**

**Timpani Requirements:** The timpani audition will be performed with appropriate mallets. **(Mallets will not be provided.)** Timpani tuning will be required only for the etude and will not constitute a barrier to the audition process.

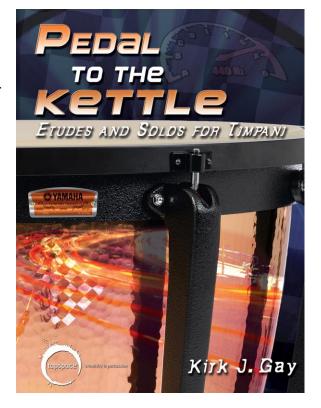
#### **Tuning - 32 Points**

 Students will have a maximum of 60 seconds to tune for the prepared etude. At the end of 60 seconds, no more tuning will be allowed and the etude must be performed with the current tuning.

#### **Prepared Etude - 65 Points**

• Pedal to the Kettle by Kirk Gay. Etude 22. Play the entire etude.

Playing Technique - 23 Points



**Total High School Percussion Audition Points: 500** 

## VIDEO for the 4 Mallet Etude

Solo Marimba (4-octave)

#### **Sand Mountain**

Jason Baker (2020)



## Alabama Bandmasters Association High School All State Audition Scales - Mallets



completed in order to continue with the audition process.