



SOUTHSIDE HIGH SCHOOL BAND

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“The PRIDE” of Southside

Drum Major Audition Scoring Information

I. Vocal Commands.....10 Points Possible

Attention /Dress Center/Set/Ready Front/Horns Up & Down

II. Basic Conducting Patterns.....25 Points Possible

Count off 2 measures of staccato, 2 measures legato, 2 measures marcato with a cut off. 4/4, 3/4, 2/4

III. Prepared Piece.....25 Points Possible

Cuing and Dynamics. Clarity of Conducting Pattern- *most important*

IV. Tempo Memory.....10 Points Possible

Moderate Tempo Fast Tempo Slow Tempo

V. Interview.....30 Points Possible

Candidates will be asked questions regarding the position of drum major. These will include responsibilities and duties of the position and hypothetical situations.

TOTAL 100 possible points

Drum Major Audition Information

Prelims will be held on Monday, March 21 at 4:00pm in the Auditorium.

Finals will be held Wednesday, March 23 from 3:15pm

Students selected, as Drum Major will also be required to attend at least one of the Drum Major Camp.

Auditions will be closed to all people except the Candidates, Judges, and Band Staff.

A Graduating Senior will assist with the audition by starting music and helping with other logistical details but will not answer questions about how individuals performed.

Please review and sign the agreement below & return to the band office along with the Drum Major Application and letters of recommendation:

"I realize that the position of Drum Major is a leadership position and as such, the individual in this position needs to display leadership through example.

The Drum Major needs to be the first one to rehearsal and the last to leave, turn in all band business on time, be organized and maintain a positive attitude. The Drum Major must be a model citizen at all times and be willing to prioritize their band involvement over all other non-academic activities.

I realize that the Southside High School Band Staff has set up the fairest criteria for the audition as possible. Judges will choose the best candidate on a given day's performance under a no bias circumstance.

I realize that the Drum Major's uniform is designed to compliment the image of the band as a whole and that the Directors set the design. The students who serve as Drum Majors will have a separate Uniform fee to cover the cost of the uniform. "

Student Signature: _____

Date: _____

Parent Signature: _____

Date: _____