ROCKVALE BAND

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2020 Ensemble Placement Auditions

Dates

Current Wind Members	Due **May 15**	
Freshmen Winds	**July 22**	during band camp
Honors Percussion	**July 23**	"

Wind Requirements

- Submit 1 video of the "Concert F Etude" (attached) either via emailed link (*unpublished* YouTube or otherwise) or via Microsoft Teams
  - Teams instructions: you should have an "Assignment" option on your Teams account. Find the assignment labeled "Ensemble Placement" and upload your video there.
- **If auditioning for Wind Ensemble**- in addition to the "Concert F Etude" video, submit an additional video of one selection from the 2020 Mid-State music for your upcoming grade level
- Results will be posted during the summer, TBD. The directors will work with guidance to adjust your 2020-2021 schedule accordingly

Percussion Requirements

- **Percussion Class**- the Marching Percussion Audition will count as your placement audition for Percussion class
- **Honors Percussion only**- Email the directors **NOW** if you intend to audition. We will hear your audition during band camp. You will perform these excerpts from the 2020 Mid-State music for your upcoming grade level
  - 9/10
    - Snare m. 9-13(downbeat only)
    - Mallets m. 5-8
    - Timpani m. 13-16
  - 11/12
    - Snare m. 1-4
    - Mallets m. 1-8
    - Timpani m. 4-8

Ensembles

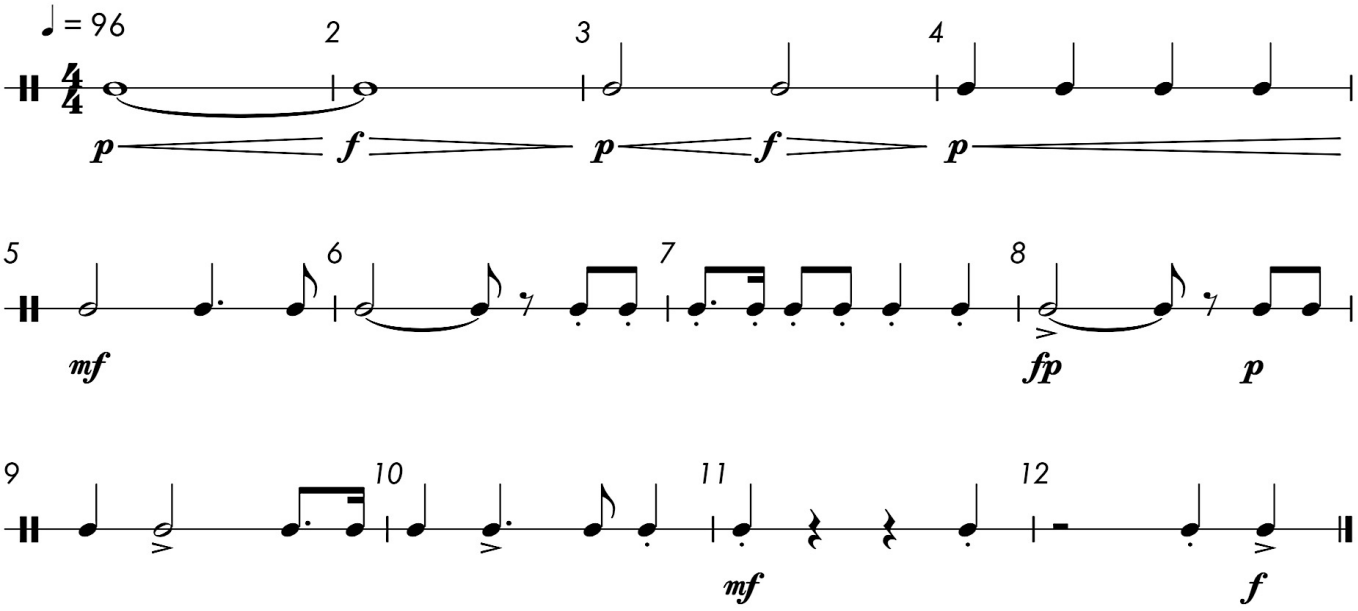
Concert Band- Ensemble of the Rockvale Band designed to build solid fundamental musical skill sets through performance of level-appropriate band literature. Participation in Mid-State honor band auditions and private instrumental lessons are encouraged. This is a year round course which requires participation in all marching band and concert band activities and events including but not limited to: after school rehearsals, performances, and field trips that will be used as part of the evaluation process. Marching band will substitute for ½ PE credit.

Symphonic Band- Ensemble of the Rockvale Band designed to improve music reading skills and instrumental techniques through performance of level-appropriate band literature. Participation in Mid-State honor band auditions and private lessons are encouraged. This is a year round course which requires participation in all marching band and concert band activities and events including but not limited to: after school rehearsals, performances, and field trips that will be used as part of the evaluation process. Marching band will substitute for ½ PE credit.

Honors Wind Ensemble- Ensemble of the Rockvale Band designed to showcase musicianship and instrumental techniques through performance of high-level band literature. Participation in Mid-State honor band auditions and private lessons are expected. This is a year round course which requires participation in all marching band and concert band activities and events including but not limited to: after school rehearsals, performances, and field trips that will be used as part of the evaluation process. Marching band will substitute for ½ PE credit.

Percussion- Class for percussionists of the Rockvale Band designed to improve music reading skills and instrumental techniques through performance of level-appropriate band and percussion ensemble literature. Participation in Mid-State honor band auditions and private lessons are encouraged. This is a year round course which requires participation in all marching band and concert band activities and events including but not limited to: after school rehearsals, performances, and field trips that will be used as part of the evaluation process. Marching band will substitute for ½ PE credit.

Honors Percussion- Class for percussionists of the Rockvale Band designed to showcase musicianship and instrumental techniques through performance of high-level band and percussion ensemble literature. Participation in Mid-State honor band auditions and private lessons are expected. This is a year round course which requires participation in all marching band and concert band activities and events including but not limited to: after school rehearsals, performances, and field trips that will be used as part of the evaluation process. Marching band will substitute for ½ PE credit.

Concert F Etude

Perform the following metronome etude on a Concert F (tuning note range) at 96 bpm (with metronome). Perform all dynamics and style markings convincingly and with a characteristic sound.