



Greater Montgomery Youth Wind Ensemble Audition Requirements & Registration Form

ALL APPLICANTS:

To be considered for the Greater Montgomery Youth Wind Ensemble, please complete the online Band Nomination Registration from at www.virtuosopcinc.com and pay your \$20.00 NON-REFUNDABLE processing fee. The Greater Montgomery Youth Wind Ensemble is open to students currently in 9th, 10th, 11th or 12th Grades that are active members of their school's band program at either a Public, Private or Charter School in the Montgomery and Tuskegee Areas.

PLEASE NOTE: ONE APPLICATION PER PERSON

Woodwind & Brass Audition Information

Auditions must be in the form of a posted *YouTube* video. (put address and password info, if necessary based on privacy settings, on your application). If accepted into Band, file can not be deleted until after the first performance of the Greater Montgomery Youth Wind Ensemble. Should submit a prepared solo or etude (minimum of 4 minutes with a maximum of 7 minutes) and demonstrate marching ability. ***PLEASE NOTE FOR AUDITION PURPOSES THE INSTRUMENT YOU PLAY THE MOST IN YOUR BAND PROGRAM IS CONSIDERED YOUR PRIMARY AND ALL OTHER INSTRUMENTS ARE CONSIDERED YOUR SECONDARY INSTRUMENT IF DIFFERENT FROM YOUR PRIMARY INSTRUMENT.*** You will be judged on technical proficiency, tone quality, and overall general musicianship. It is recommended that a Grade III-V Level etude or Solo be used as audition material.

PLEASE NOTE: IF STUDENT PLAYS OBOE, BASSOON, BASS CLARINET, DOUBLE FRENCH HORN, AND BARITOPHONE SAXOPHONE SHOULD INCLUDE THOSE INSTRUMENTS ON THEIR AUDITION VIDEO.

Percussion Audition Information

Auditions must be in the form of a posted *YouTube* video. (put address and password info, if necessary based on privacy settings, on your application). If accepted into Band, file can not be deleted until after the first performance of the Greater Montgomery Youth Wind Ensemble. **PLEASE NOTE: BEFORE CREATING YOUR AUDITION VIDEO**, please review the **Additional Percussion Audition Guidelines** can be found at www.virtuosopcinc.com under the Initiative & Events Tab. Percussionist are required to audition on the following: Snare, Mallets, Tympani, and/or Piano **ALL PERCUSSIONIST ARE TO AUDITION ON MALLETS.** If interested in being selected on a secondary instrument if not selected on primary, applicant must indicate it on their application. **NOTE: IF NOT INTERESTED IN PLAYING ANYTHING OTHER THAN YOUR FIRST OR SECOND CHOICE IT MUST BE INDICATED.** Applicants must check the box on the Application Form stating that they understand the Percussion Assignment Guidelines.



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Additional Percussion Audition Guidelines

ALL PRECUSSIONIST AUDITIONING:

Auditions must be submitted in the form of a **YouTube** video. (See instructions below). Please video record the primary instrument you are auditioning for, making sure that your hands/sticks and feet are in clear, visible sight of camera. Please be sure to identify yourself on the your video by clearly stating your name, grade, and school.

If you are interested in a secondary instrument if not selected on your primary, please indicate your second choice on your application. *Should you not receive your first or second choice assignment and **DO NOT** want to be placed on any other instrument **YOU MUST** check the **"NOT INTERESTED IN ANY OTHER INSTRUMENT"** BOX.*

Assignment Policy: The Percussion Section will consist of Snares, Bass Drums, Mallets, Tympani, Piano. Final Instrument assignments will not take place until the entire Percussion Section has been selected and videos are reviewed again. **PLEASE NOTE: DUE TO THE QUALITY OF ALL SELECTED CANDIDATES SOME STUDENTS MAY BE ASSIGNED AN INSTRUMENT THAT IS NOT THEIR FIRST OR SECOND CHOICE.** By submitting an audition you agree that you understand our placement policy.

Audition Requirements

Snare Drum

1. The following rudiments, slow-fast-slow: First 13 Rudiments
2. A rudimental snare drum solo of your choice (Maximum of 2 Minutes). **PLEASE NOTE: SOLO SHOULD BE A GRADE 4 OR HIGHER.**

Mallets

1. 6 Major Scales 2 Octaves of your choosing at 120 (3 Flat Keys and 3 Sharp Keys)
2. A solo of your choice, demonstrating your ability to play around the xylophone or marimba using proper technique (Maximum of 2 Minutes). **PLEASE NOTE: SOLO SHOULD BE A GRADE 3 OR HIGHER.**

Piano (Optional)

1. 6 Major Scales 2 Octaves of your choosing at 120 (3 Flat Keys and 3 Sharp Keys)
2. 2 solos of your choice of contrasting styles, demonstrating your ability to play around the full range of the piano using proper technique (Maximum of 2 Minutes). **PLEASE NOTE: SOLO SHOULD BE A GRADE 4 OR HIGHER.**

Additional Information

When finished-**Post your video on your own YouTube page.** Then, **include a note with your application form that provides 1. YouTube Link, 2. Password,** if necessary due to your chosen privacy setting.

Please Note: If you receive notification that you have been selected for the GMYWE Percussion Section you **MUST** keep your video posted until after final selections and positions are made. If you are not selected for the Greater Montgomery Youth Wind Ensemble you may take your video down at anytime. Should you have any questions please email Glenn Eichelberger at geichelberger@virtuosopcinc.com. Please provide 1 to 2 business days for a reply.