

2024-2025 MEBCI MIDDLE SCHOOL BAND PERCUSSION AUDITION REQUIREMENTS

MULTI-PERCUSSION

➤ Multiple Percussion Solo: *In All Its Glory* by James Swearingen

Students auditioning on Multi-Percussion should prepare the Percussion 1 and Percussion 2 parts.

In the audition they will be asked to perform excerpts on various instruments. Students will not be required to shift between multiple instruments in any given excerpt. Omit Gong.

Students MUST bring their own sticks and mallets, as well as a triangle with triangle beater, and tambourine.

It is HIGHLY RECOMMENDED that students bring their own snare drum with stand, bass drum mallets, woodblock and crash cymbals.

MEBCI will provide the following:

Bass drum and bass drum beaters Snare drum with stand Trap table for crash cymbals Suspended cymbal with stand Crash cymbals Woodblock

MALLETS

➤ MAJOR SCALES: G Major-2 8va; Bb Major-2 8va; Eb Major-2 8va (No Chromatic Scale)

PLEASE NOTE: ALL SCALES ARE TO BE MEMORIZED AND PLAYED AT A MINIMUM TEMPO OF QUARTER NOTE = 96

Rhythm and Articulations for Major Scales:



- ➤ Mallet Solo: *In All Its Glory* by James Swearingen
 - -Learn Mallet Part

Students MUST bring their own mallets; that includes bell / xylophone mallets and vibraphone mallets. They DO NOT need to bring chime mallets.

MEBCI will provide the following:

Bells

Xylophone

Vibraphone

Chimes with Chime mallets

TIMPANI

- > TUNING AND LONG ROLL
 - 1) Using a pitch pipe, tuning fork or keyboard instrument, tune the lowest drum to F.
 - 2) Using the pitch of that drum, tune the middle drum to Bb and the highest drum to F.
 - 3) Strike each drum, going from lowest to highest, one at a time. Do this at a slow tempo so the judges can hear each pitch.
 - 4) Now you will play a long roll on the lowest drum. Begin at *piano*, crescendo to *forte* and return to *piano*.
 - 5) Lastly, you will play the solo. To tune for the solo, you may use your pitch pipe, tuning fork or keyboard instrument.
- ➤ Timpani Solo: *In All Its Glory* by James Swearingen -Learn Timpani Part

Students MUST bring their own mallets; that includes medium and hard timpani mallets AND a tuning source. Students may also use the mallet percussion instruments as a tuning source.

MEBCI will provide the following:

4 Timpani