

CHS DRUM MAJOR/SECTION LEADER CAPTAIN AUDITION REQUIREMENTS

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Drum Major Audition Requirements

Pre-Requisites for drum major: 1) Minimum 6 semesters experience being in CHS symphonic band and/or percussion ensemble/drumline. 2) Will attend all camps, rehearsals, and ISU Marching Academy with no conflicts (family emergencies are exceptions). 3) Completion of Level 10 rhythm achievement and Level 10 scale achievement 4) Be enrolled in private lessons on your main instrument.

Application—Student will fill in the online application (under Marching Band).

Letters of Recommendation—Student will turn in 2-teacher recommendation, 1-parent recommendation, 3-student recommendations. All recommendations must be filled out and sealed in an envelope before being returned to the director.

Musicianship in Conducting—Student will prepare conducting to a band work chosen by the director.

Control in Conducting—Student will prepare to conduct a small ensemble work chosen by the director.

Speech—Student will prepare a 3-5 minute speech to the symphonic band explaining 1) why he/she wants to be drum major, 2) what he/she can bring as drum major that will inspire and improve the group, 3) what he/she will do to help recruit new members, 4) what he/she expects of the marching band students.

Interview—Student will participate in a short interview with the director of bands.

Performance—Student will perform level 10 scales and one all-state or all-northwest audition etude for the director and staff.

Marching Technique—Student will demonstrate basic marching technique as required by the staff.

Section Leader Audition Requirements

Pre-Requisites for section leader: 1) Minimum 6 semesters experience being in CHS symphonic band and/or percussion ensemble/drumline. 2) Will attend all camps, rehearsals, and ISU Marching Academy with no conflicts (family emergencies are exceptions). 3) Completion of Level 10 rhythm achievement and Level 10 scale achievement. 4) Be enrolled in private lessons on your main instrument.

Application—Student will fill in the online application (under Marching Band).

Letters of Recommendation—Student will turn in 2-teacher recommendation, 1-parent recommendation, 3-student recommendations. All recommendations must be filled out and sealed in an envelope before being returned to the director.

Performance—Student will perform level 10 scales and one all-state or all-northwest audition etude for the director and staff.

Interview—Student will participate in a short interview with the director of bands.

Marching Technique—Student will demonstrate basic marching technique as required by the staff.

Guard Captain Audition Requirements

Pre-Requisites for section leader: 1) Two years minimum of guard experience. 2) Attendance at a minimum of one ISU Marching Academy. 3) Will attend all camps, rehearsals, and ISU Marching Academy with no conflicts (family emergencies are exceptions). 4) Participation in ISU Fiero Winter Guard is strongly encouraged.

Application—Student will fill in the online application (under Marching Band).

Letters of Recommendation—Student will turn in 2-teacher recommendation, 1-parent recommendation, 3-student recommendations. All recommendations must be filled out and sealed in an envelope before being returned to the director.

Performance—Prepare a 2 minute guard solo to a musical selection of the students' choice. The solo should demonstrate flag routine and at least one auxiliary equipment (air rifle, rifle, sabre, etc.).

Interview—Student will participate in a short interview with the director of bands.

Marching Technique—Student will demonstrate basic marching technique as required by the staff.

Percussion Captain Audition Requirements

Pre-Requisites for section leader: 1) Minimum 6 semesters experience being in CHS symphonic band and/or percussion ensemble/drumline. 2) Will attend all camps, rehearsals, and ISU Marching Academy with no conflicts (family emergencies are exceptions). 3) Completion of Level 10 rhythm achievement and Level 10 scale achievement 4) Be enrolled in private lessons on your main instrument.

Application—Student will fill in the online application (under Marching Band).

Letters of Recommendation—Student will turn in 2-teacher recommendation, 1-parent recommendation, 3-student recommendations. All recommendations must be filled out and sealed in an envelope before being returned to the director.

Performance—

Drumline: Student will perform basic rudiments and exercises from the warm-up routine. Student will also demonstrate basic marching technique as required by the staff.

Pit: Student will perform level 9 scales and the keyboard selection from the All-State or All-Northwest etudes.

Interview—Student will participate in a short interview with the director of bands.