

## 2025 All-State Middle School Band Audition Procedures

### REMINDERS FOR ROOM MONITORS/RECORDING TECHNICIANS

- ◆ You are only to give instructions and run the computer. **DO NOT** stop or correct a student for playing the wrong exercise, incorrect scale or pattern.
  - ◆ The recording technician should note the student's arrival on their student room list and have the student sign next to their name verifying that their name and audition code match their card. A new file should then be started for that student.
  - ◆ The monitor should verify the student's grade level.
  - ◆ Proceed with the audition by checking levels.
  - ◆ Don't forget to export the file to an MP3 file and check the recording before the student leaves the room.
- Please read the script exactly as it appears. No comments, critiques or hints should be given.**

◁ MP3 Off Read this exactly as it appears: **"I will first ask you to play the prepared method book excerpt. Secondly, you will be asked to play the chromatic scale according to the FBA All-State Requirements. You are reminded that you will have 1 minute to perform the chromatic scale. Your audition will conclude after the chromatic scale. As a reminder, I will cue you each time you are to begin playing."**

Have the student audition card ready which contains the band, instrument and audition code number. You will record it to the MP3. (for example: Middle School Piccolo Number 789750)

▶ MP3 ON **"Middle School Piccolo Number code"**

◁ MP3 Pause **"The prepared exercise is ...read from the All-State Requirements"**

▶ MP3 ON **"Play your prepared exercise"**

◁ MP3 Pause After the exercise has been played, then read: **"The chromatic scale will be next"**

(Monitors will start their stop watch on the 1st note of the chromatic scale. In the event the student is still performing the chromatic scale after the 1 minute period has elapsed, the monitor will interrupt and announce **"TIME"** at which time the recording should be stopped.)

▶ MP3 ON **"Play your chromatic scale according to the FBA All-State Requirements"**

◁ MP3 STOP After the sight-reading has been played, then read: **"Thank you, this concludes your audition."**

**UPLOAD** 1. Click **"Stop and Finish"**. 2. Click **"OK"** to let MPAOnline know you are completely done with the audition. 3. Spotcheck the recording. 4. Click **"Save the MP3 file to your computer"**. 5. Click the button that says **"Upload Audition To Server"** then 6. click **"Reset for the Next Student"**.