

# Florida Bandmasters Association

## 2026 ALL-STATE SYMPHONIC BAND AUDITION REQUIREMENTS

(For the 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> grade All-State Band – auditioning in September of 2025 for the January 2026 FMEA Conference)

### WOODWIND

#### 1. All-State Symphonic Band membership rules and regulations:

- The student must be in the eleventh or twelfth grade.
- The decision of the selection committee is final.
- Only instruments listed on the All-State Application or in the 2025 All-State Symphonic Band Requirements printed in the handbook may audition.
- String Bass students should audition through the Florida Orchestra Association and must be a member of the band or orchestra program at their school.
- The student must be a member of the band program at their school and have their name submitted on the proper All-State Application form. The Application form must be typed and signed by the band director and principal. The Application form must be submitted by the proper deadline date as set by the District.
- The band director must be a member of FBA/FMEA by September 1, 2024.
- Students selected for any of the All-State groups must bring their own music stand, instrument, band uniform, etc.

#### 2. All-State Symphonic Band Audition Requirements for Woodwinds:

When the student enters the room, he/she will be asked to perform:

- The specific prepared exercises** for their instrument(s) as listed in the All-State Symphonic Band Audition Requirements. **Students will determine tempi.**
- A chromatic scale**, (in 30 seconds or less) from memory, covering the range for their instrument (as given in the All-State Symphonic Band Audition Requirements.) The scale will be performed in even sixteenth notes. A suggested tempo is MM  $\text{♩} = 120$ . The scale will be tongued ascending and slurred descending. Scale is to be memorized.
- Twelve major scales**, (in 2:30 minutes or less) from memory, complete with arpeggios, at a minimum tempo of MM  $\text{♩} = 120$ . Scales are to be performed within the limits of the listed range (see page 2) and performed in complete octaves (starting and ending with tonic pitches). Students who wish to play 2nd and 3rd octave scales may do so within their specific instrument's range. The scale pattern is:  $\text{♩} \text{♩} \text{♩} \text{♩} \text{♩} \text{♩}$ . The arpeggio pattern is:  $\text{♩} \text{♩} \text{♩}$ . The scales will be tongued ascending and slurred descending where applicable. Scales will be performed in the "circle of fourths", starting with the concert key of: C, F, B $\flat$ , E $\flat$ , A $\flat$ , D $\flat$ , G $\flat$ , B, E, A, D, G.
- A short sight-reading exercise(s)** to demonstrate the student's reading ability. The student will have thirty seconds to study the piece before playing it.

### 2026 All-State Symphonic Band (11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> grade) Prepared Exercises

Play the entire exercise unless specific measures are indicated.

<p><b>Piccolo;</b> Chromatic: 2½ octaves from E<math>\flat</math> to B<math>\flat</math> Exercise: pg. 27 #9; m. 43 - end (play without "8 ad lib." m. 70 - 71) <i>Melodious &amp; Progressive Studies for Flute, Book 1</i> Revised by Robert Cavally. Pub: BKM Enterprises, Inc. All Piccolo students MUST also audition on Flute. Their Flute audition will determine membership in the band and the Piccolo double will be determined by the Piccolo audition. The Piccolo audition will contain the chromatic scale and the above exercise – no other scales and no sight-reading.</p>	<p><b>B<math>\flat</math> Clarinet;</b> Chromatic: 3 octaves from E Lyrical Exercise: pg. 23, #19; m. 1-29 + 1 note Technical Exercise: pg. 12, #8; m. 1 - 31, no repeat <i>32 Etudes for Clarinet C. Rose, Melvin Warner, Editor 2002</i></p>
<p><b>Flute;</b> Chromatic: 3 octaves from C Lyrical Exercise: pg. 12; Lento - melody by Massenet; all Technical Exercise: pg. 9, #9; m. 40 - end <i>Melodious &amp; Progressive Studies for Flute, Book 1</i> Revised by Robert Cavally. Pub: BKM Enterprises, Inc.</p>	<p><b>Bass Clarinet;</b> Chromatic: 3 octaves from E Lyrical Exercise: pg. 15, #20; all Technical Exercise: pg. 6, #10; m. 9 - end, no repeats <i>Advanced Studies, William Rhoads, Pub: Southern Music</i></p>
<p><b>Oboe;</b> Chromatic: 2 octaves from D Lyrical Exercise: pg. 17, #33; m. 1 - 17 Technical Exercise: pg. 14, #28; all <i>48 Famous Studies for Oboe or Saxophone (1st Oboe) W. Ferling,</i> revised by Albert Andraud. Pub: Southern Music Co.</p>	<p><b>E<math>\flat</math> Contra Alto, B<math>\flat</math> Contra Bass Clarinet;</b> Chromatic: 2 octaves from E Lyrical Exercise: pg. 7, #11; beginning - m. 22 Technical Exercise: pg. 15, #19; m. 1-28 + 1 note, no fermata, no repeats <i>Advanced Studies, William Rhoads, Pub: Southern Music</i></p>
<p><b>English Horn;</b> Chromatic: 2 octaves from D Exercise: pg. 3, #5; m. 1 - 21 + 1 note <i>48 Famous Studies for Oboe or Saxophone (1st Oboe) W. Ferling,</i> revised by Albert Andraud. Pub: Southern Music Co. All English Horn students must audition on Oboe. Their Oboe audition will determine membership in the band and the English Horn double will be determined by the English Horn audition. The English Horn audition will contain the chromatic scale and the above exercise – no other scales and no sight-reading.</p>	<p><b>Soprano Saxophone;</b> Chromatic: 2 ½ octaves from B<math>\flat</math> to F Exercise: pg. 23, #46; beginning - m. 27 + 4 notes <i>48 Famous Studies for Oboe or Saxophone (1st Oboe) W. Ferling,</i> revised by Albert Andraud. Pub: Southern Music Co. All Soprano Saxophone students must audition on alto saxophone. Their Alto audition will determine membership in the band and the Soprano double will be determined by the Soprano audition. The Soprano audition will contain the chromatic scale and the above exercise – no other scales and no sight-reading.</p>
<p><b>Bassoon;</b> Chromatic: 3 octaves from B<math>\flat</math> Lyrical Exercise: pg. 3, #27; m. 1 - 21 Technical Exercise: pg. 46, #47; m. 1 - 33, + 1 note <i>Studies For Bassoon, Concert Studies, Opus 26, Book 2</i> L. Milde: Cundy-Bettoney Co.</p>	<p><b>Alto Saxophone;</b> Chromatic: 2 octaves from F Lyrical Exercise: pg. 16, #31; m. 1 - 19 + 1 note Technical Exercise: pg. 4, #8; all <i>48 Famous Studies for Oboe or Saxophone (1st Oboe) W. Ferling,</i> revised by Albert Andraud. Pub: Southern Music Co.</p>
<p><b>Contra Bassoon;</b> Chromatic: 2 ½ octaves from B<math>\flat</math> to F Exercise: pg. 39, "Poco allegro"; m. 17 - end, no repeat <i>Weissenborn Method For Bassoon, New Enlarged Edition</i> Publisher: Carl Fischer All Contra Bassoon students must audition on Bassoon. Their Bassoon audition will determine membership in the band and the Contra double will be determined by the Contra audition. The Contra audition will contain the chromatic scale and the above exercise – no other scales and no sight-reading.</p>	<p><b>Tenor Saxophone;</b> Chromatic: 2 octaves from F Lyrical Exercise: pg. 15, #29; m. 1 - 16 Technical Exercise: pg. 5, #10; all <i>48 Famous Studies for Oboe or Saxophone (1st Oboe) W. Ferling,</i> revised by Albert Andraud. Pub: Southern Music Co.</p>
<p><b>E<math>\flat</math> Clarinet;</b> Chromatic: 3 octaves from E Exercise: pg. 16, #12; m. 1 - 16 <i>32 Etudes for Clarinet C. Rose, Melvin Warner, Editor 2002</i> All E<math>\flat</math> Clarinet students must audition on B<math>\flat</math> Clarinet. Their B<math>\flat</math> audition will determine membership in the band and the E<math>\flat</math> double will be determined by the E<math>\flat</math> clarinet audition. The E<math>\flat</math> audition will contain the chromatic scale and the above exercise – no other scales and no sight-reading.</p>	<p><b>Baritone Saxophone;</b> Chromatic: 2 octaves from F Lyrical Exercise: pg. 10, #19; m. 1 - 17 + 1 note Technical Exercise: pg. 12, #24; all <i>48 Famous Studies for Oboe or Saxophone (1st Oboe) W. Ferling,</i> revised by Albert Andraud. Pub: Southern Music Co.</p>

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## 2026 ALL-STATE **SYMPHONIC BAND** SCALE LIMITS

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The image displays musical staves for various instruments, illustrating the required scale limits. Each staff shows a starting note (tonic) and an ending note (two octaves higher), connected by a diagonal line. The instruments and their scale limits are as follows:

- Flute: Starting on C4, ending on C6.
- Oboe: Starting on B3, ending on B5.
- Bassoon: Starting on B2, ending on B4.
- Clarinet in B $\flat$ : Starting on B2, ending on B4.
- Bass & Contra Bass Clarinet: Starting on B1, ending on B3.
- Alto Sax: Starting on B2, ending on B4.
- Tenor Sax: Starting on B2, ending on B4.
- Baritone Sax: Starting on B2, ending on B4.
- Trumpet in B $\flat$ : Starting on B2, ending on B4.
- Horn in F: Starting on F2, ending on F4.
- Trombone Euphonium: Starting on B1, ending on B3.
- Bass Trombone: Starting on B1, ending on B3.
- Tuba: Starting on B1, ending on B3.

**1. The required 12 major required scales must be performed within the limits of the listed range and performed in complete octaves (*starting & ending with tonic pitches*).**

**2. Additional octaves "beyond" or "outside" of the designated ranges listed of the required 12 major scales will not be scored.**

**3. Percussionists should perform all major scales 2 octaves.**