

Symphonic Band Auditions 2020-21

*This Audition is for **new** members **ONLY***

New Member Symphonic Band Audition recordings will be due the week of **October 5, 2020** and consist of the following:

*Student will prepare the District 1 Honor's Band solo excerpt located on the PMEA District 1 homepage under "PMEA D1 BAND AUDITION INFO"

<https://district1.pmea.net/home/new-pmea-d1-band-audition-process>

*Students are responsible for acquiring the piece. Most pieces are available at Hollis and Germann Music, Volkweins Music, Johnstonbaugh's Music, Progressive Music, jwpepper.com, and amazon.com. We do not have copies available at the school.

*After learning the excerpt, the student will send a video recording to Mr. Schrader during the week of October 5 (October 9 will be the final day for recordings).

*Students are encouraged to audition for District 1 Honor's Band and will receive bonus points on their audition for CM Symphonic Band. If you are chosen for District 1 Honor's Band, you will automatically be a member of the CM Symphonic Band.

The number of Symphonic Band members varies from year to year based on the instrumentation of the Big Mac Band. This year will be extremely competitive in most sections.

The following number of each instrument will earn a spot in Symphonic Band:

Flute--1
Oboe -- 1
Clarinet -- 3
Bass Clarinet -- 1
Alto Sax -- 1
Tenor Sax -- 1
Bari Sax -- 1
Trumpet -- 1
French Horn -- 2
Trombone -- 1
Tuba -- 1
Percussion -- 1

You are encouraged to start working as soon as possible on your piece because the music is difficult. You are also encouraged to take private lessons to help you with these challenging pieces. If you need the name and number of a private music teacher, please contact Mr. Schrader or Mr. Falvo.

If you have any questions concerning Symphonic Band auditions, please contact Mr. Schrader at schradere@cmsd.k12.pa.us

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