2024



ERIE COUNTY FAIR ALL-STAR BAND AUDITION PACKET

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APPLICATION & AUDITION REQUIREMENTS

All Applicants:

Review the tentative schedule on page two of this packet prior to submitting your application and audition video. ALL rehearsals and performances are **mandatory** unless reasonable accommodations can be made with advanced notice.

Applicants with multiple anticipated absences may not be considered for this year's ensemble. Attendance will be closely monitored; excessive absence will result in loss of privileges and performance opportunities, and/or dismissal from the ensemble.

Woodwinds & Brass: You must submit a video audition with the following content:

- 1. State your name, instrument, school name, director's name, and current grade as of Spring 2024.
- 2. Play the excerpt of music provided for your instrument in this packet. Follow the provided instructions included with the excerpt.
- 3. Save the video file with the file named as INSTRUMENT, FIRST NAME LAST NAME (example: Piccolo, Jamie Smith)
- 4. Upload the video once you complete the application form.

Percussion:

You must submit a video audition with the following content:

- 1. State your name, instrument, school name, director's name, and current grade as of Spring 2024.
- Play the excerpt of music provided for your instrument in this packet. Follow the
 provided instructions included with the excerpt. We understand that you may be
 limited at home with available instruments, so please feel free to utilize drum
 pads, tabletops, counter tops, chairs (the last three with parental permission) to
 demonstrate your abilities.
- 3. Save the video file with the file named as INSTRUMENT, FIRST NAME LAST NAME (example: Snare Drum, Cameron Griffith)
- 4. Upload the video once you complete the application form.

If you are accepted, please be aware that you are assigned to an instrument based on the skill levels and needs within the section. Be prepared to provide first, second, and third choice options on your application.

Color Guard:

You must submit a video audition with the following content:

- 1. State your name, instrument, school name, director's name, and current grade as of Spring 2024.
- 2. Briefly describe your experience and/or reason for your interest in applying.
- 3. If possible, perform a brief demonstration of your skills on flag, rifle, sabre, or dance
- 4. Save the video file with the file named as INSTRUMENT, FIRST NAME LAST NAME (example: Color Guard, Tiffany Allen)

2024 TENTATIVE SUMMER SCHEDULE

Monday 5:30 – 8:30	June 10, 2024
Thursday 5:30 – 8:30	June 13, 2024
Monday 5:30 – 8:30	June 17, 2024
Thursday 5:30 – 8:30	June 20, 2024
Monday 5:30 – 8:30	June 24, 2024
Thursday 5:30 – 8:30	June 27, 2024
Sunday, Time TBD	June 30, 2024
Monday 5:30 – 8:30	July 1, 2024
Wednesday	July 3, 2024
Monday	July 8, 2024
Monday	July 15, 2024
Monday	July 22, 2024
Friday,PM	July 26, 2024
Saturday 6:35 Game	July 27, 2024
Monday	July 29, 2024
Wednesday, PM	July 31, 2024
Sunday	August 4, 2024
Monday	August 5, 2024
	August 7 – 18, 2024
	Thursday 5:30 – 8:30 Monday 5:30 – 8:30 Thursday 5:30 – 8:30 Monday 5:30 – 8:30 Thursday 5:30 – 8:30 Sunday, Time TBD Monday 5:30 – 8:30 Wednesday Monday Monday Friday,PM Saturday 6:35 Game Monday Wednesday, PM Sunday

- Due to early performances this summer, we will be rehearsing on **Mondays and Thursdays** through the month of June. We will resume our once-weekly rehearsals on Mondays through July and August.
- Full ensemble rehearsals will be held in the Event Center balcony from **5:30pm to 8:30pm**. If additional Sectional time is needed in July and August, they can be held on Thursdays from 5:30 7:00pm with advanced notice.
- We currently have five scheduled summer performances, though more may be added once all local event schedules are released. Advanced and prompt notice will be given if any performances are added.

2024 TENTATIVE FAIR SCHEDULE

Wednesday	August 7	10am -1pm, 5pm - 8pm
Thursday	August 8	5pm, - 8pm
Friday	August 9	5pm, - 8pm
Saturday	August 10	12pm, - 8pm
Sunday	August 11	10am – 8pm
Monday	August 12	5pm, - 8pm
Tuesday	August 13	5pm, - 8:45pm
Wednesday	August 14	5pm, - 8pm
Thursday	August 15	5pm, - 8pm
Friday	August 16	5pm, - 8pm
Saturday	August 17	12pm, - 8pm
Sunday	August 18	11:30am, - 9pm

The Fair schedule has not been finalized. The above times are an estimate of the hours you may need to be present at the Fairgrounds. This does not mean that you will be performing for the entire duration of your time at the Fair, but performances may be scheduled within these time frames.

FLUTE/PICCOLO/MALLETS



Tempo – 148, Swing 8th Notes

Play up until Mm.14

Please pay attention to articulations.

USE A METRONOME!

TRANSPOSE OCTAVE AS NEEDED

CLARINET



Tempo – 120

Play through the 2/4

Please pay attention to articulations.

ALTO SAX



Tempo – 120

Please pay attention to articulations.

TENOR SAX



Tempo – 120, start @ Mm. 12

Please pay attention to articulations.

BARITONE SAX



Tempo – 148, Swing 8th Notes

Play to Mm. 22

Please pay attention to articulations.

TRUMPET



Tempo – 120

Please pay attention to articulations.

FRENCH HORN



Tempo – 148, Swing 8th Notes

Please pay attention to articulations.

TROMBONE



Tempo – 148, Swing 8th Notes

Please pay attention to articulations.

BARITONE



Tempo – 148, Swing 8th Notes

Please pay attention to articulations.

TUBA



Tempo – 120

Play up to bar 18

Please pay attention to articulations.

SNARE



Follow metronome marking and use metronome.

Pay attention to accents, taps, and dynamics.

Rolls are not buzz rolls.

TENORS



Follow metronome marking and use metronome.

Pay attention to accents, taps, and dynamics.

BASS DRUMS



Tempo – 148, Swing 8th Notes

Please pay attention to articulations.