



Walkerville Centre for the Creative Arts
2100 Richmond St., 519-252-6514, WINDSOR, ONTARIO

BAND INSTRUMENT AUDITIONS

HERE IS HOW YOUR AUDITION DAY WILL WORK:

- Arrive at the school at least 15 minutes before your scheduled audition time.
- Present yourself at the main foyer and someone at the reception table will tell you exactly where you need to be. Band instrument auditions will be held in Studio B located on the first floor back hallway.
- We will begin with a short interview asking some questions about your background. We want to get to know you a little. Next you will be asked to perform on your instrument.
- Your audition will last 10 minutes.

HERE IS WHAT YOU NEED TO BRING ON THE DAY OF YOUR AUDITION:

- A positive attitude.
- An instrument, if you need to use a Walkerville instrument, please make note of that on your application so we can have an instrument ready for you.
- If you have experience playing your instrument, a prepared Bb concert scale, prepared piece of music to perform (any music is acceptable, a paper copy of your piece is preferred)
- If you are brand new to playing your instrument, be prepared to demonstrate what you know so far – how to put your instrument together, make a characteristic tone, fingers/embouchure in correct place.

HERE IS WHAT WE ARE LOOKING FOR:

- Students who demonstrate potential, are motivated, prepared, responsible and willing to learn
- See attached Audition Assessment Sheet. This Assessment sheet is exactly what the teachers will fill out when they see your audition.

HERE IS WHAT YOU NEED TO DO BEFORE COMING TO YOUR AUDITION:

- Complete and submit the WCCA Application Form due by Nov.3, 2023 by 3 pm
- Submit the Application fee of \$25 to the Walkerville C.I. main office by Nov.3, 2023
- If possible, attend the WCCA Open House on October 30th, 2023 from 6 to 8 pm
- Prepare your audition piece or practice basics of instrument playing.

FOR BAND INSTRUMENTS WITH EXPERIENCE

- Select a piece of music, band part or solo that shows your strengths. Choose a piece that shows your range of notes and articulations. You may be asked to play only a portion of your selection due to time limits. Please bring a copy of your music for the teacher to read.
- Be able to play a Bb concert scale, 2 octaves if possible, with a “ta” articulation.
- You will be given a short sight reading exercise, an 8 measure melody to read, practice silently and then play back.



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HERE ARE THE THINGS WE WILL EVALUATE

PRESENTATION (attire, neat)	YES	NO		POTENTIAL
PREPARED (organized, informed, research)	YES	NO		POTENTIAL
TECHNIQUE (ease of movement, fingering)	GOOD	WEAK	FAIR	EXCELLENT
RHYTHM (accuracy)	GOOD	WEAK	FAIR	EXCELLENT
(correct notes and rhythms, preparation)	GOOD	WEAK	FAIR	EXCELLENT
TEMPO (can maintain a tempo)	GOOD	WEAK	FAIR	EXCELLENT
FINGERING (good logical fingering)	GOOD	WEAK	FAIR	EXCELLENT
EXPRESSION (appropriate stylistically, dynamics, musicality)	GOOD	WEAK	FAIR	EXCELLENT
SIGHT READING	GOOD	WEAK	FAIR	EXCELLENT
THEORY KNOWLEDGE	GOOD	WEAK	FAIR	EXCELLENT
OVERALL PERFORMANCE:	GOOD	WEAK	FAIR	EXCELLENT
RESULTS:	ACCEPTED		NOT ACCEPTED	

COMMENTS: