
ALABAMA A&M UNIVERSITY BAND AUDITION REQUIREMENTS

Woodwinds and Brass

- Letter of good standing from the high school director
- **You must be able to read music proficiently!**
- **Major Scale & arpeggios:** C, F, Bb, Eb, Ab, Db, Gb, B, E, A, D, and B (Two or three octaves when possible)
- **Minor Scales:** C Harmonic and A Melodic (and corresponding arpeggios)
- **Chromatic Scale:** Practical range of the instrument.
- Prepared Material: Etude or Solo Grade 3 or higher (All state etudes accepted)
- Sight-reading

Percussion

- Letter of good standing from the high school director
- **You must be able to read music proficiently!**
- Rudiments and melodic proficiency

Any of the Percussive Arts Society's 40 Essential Rudiments as requested

- Major Scale & arpeggios: C, F, Bb, Eb, Ab, Db, Gb, B, E, A, D, and B (2 octaves)
- Minor Scales: C Harmonic and A Melodic (and corresponding arpeggios)
- Chromatic Scale: Practical range of the instrument.
- Prepared Material: Etude or Solo Grade 3 or higher (All state etudes accepted)
- Tuning the timpani on the following intervals:
 - Major 3rd
 - Minor 3rd
 - Perfect 4th
 - Perfect 5th
 - Perfect octave
- Sight-reading- Students should demonstrate the ability to sight-read a piece of music with great success, while mastering dynamics, tempo, stylistic, and other nuances.

Students should produce a characteristic tone on his or her instrument, in all ranges of the instrument. Students should demonstrate proper phrasing and stylistic nuances when performing etude, scales, and sight-reading. All scales should be tongued, using 8th notes at M.M. = 120 beats per minute.