

August 6, 2018

Directors,

The TMEA Middle School All-Region Auditions will be held on Saturday, December 1st at Jacksonville Middle School. Many thanks to the Jacksonville Band Staff for hosting this event!!

Our entry deadline for TMEA MS All-Region Tryouts is **November 18**. You will need to enter your students via the TMEA Website. The entry portal will be open **November 2<sup>nd</sup>**. Here's a quick run-down on how to do that:

- Go to the TMEA Website: tmea.org
- Go to Divisions & Regions
- Go to Band in that drop-down box
- Click on Audition Entry and follow the instructions

Here are some very important things that you must be aware of:

1. When you set up your Campus on the TMEA Website, **be sure that you enter all of the directors on your staff** as that information is what provides us with a list of judges.
2. **All** directors on your staff are required to be available to judge the tryouts, both middle school and high school.
3. After you set up your campus, click on VIEW CONTESTS and find Region 21 MS All Region Auditions and click on that and begin entering your students.
4. **IF there is a TIME PREFERENCE dropdown box available, please leave set at NONE. The ONLY reasons to select a specific TIME PREFERENCE are:** 1. A student is doubling on Alto Sax/Tenor/Bari. Altos needs to perform in the morning as our lower saxes audition after lunch.  
2. If a student has a legitimate, conflict to work around on that day. Here's why: If you enter all of your students with an AM (or PM) preference, then the computer will assign Audition ID's in a way that ALL of your kids will all play back-to-back in the same group. Thus, making it unfair for your students and students from other schools. It will no longer be a random sort of the students entered.
5. You may enter your band hall phone number for your student's phone number.
6. We do not have Piccolos, Eb Clarinets, Alto Clarinets, Contra Clarinets, Contra-Bassoons, kazoos, or hose-a-phones. So, please don't enter students on those instruments. You will notice that those instruments are not available as choices in the drop-down box.

### **Finish Your Entry**

1. Once you have completed entry of students for a contest, go to the student list for the contest.
2. Click the "Official Entry Form" link.
3. Print and sign the form. Your membership card will already be attached.

**We are using Set 3 for our etudes this year.** I handed out the information for our etudes during our Fall Region Meeting. Be sure you check to make sure your students have the correct music. Attached, please find the etudes in Set 3.

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Below, please see instructions regarding payment of entry fees.

TMEA Middle School Band All-Region Tryouts

**Make checks payable to:**

TMEA Region 21 Band Events

**Mail this form and payment to:**

Bene Davis, TMEA MS Band Coordinator

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Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Thank you for the privilege of serving you.

Sincerely,

Bene Davis

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Region 21 MS Band Coordinator