

WKU Bands – Fall 2024 Audition Guidelines

TUBA

Scales:

Chromatic – play **minimum** of two octaves in 8th notes a minimum tempo of a quarter note at 80bpm.

A-flat major scale – Two octaves in 8th notes at a tempo of 80bpm or faster.

D major scale - Two octaves (if possible) in 8th notes at a tempo of 80bpm or faster.

Required Etudes:

(Note: students receiving a Music Grant are required to prepare the Symphonic Band Audition Etudes AND the Orchestra Audition Etude(s). Placement in the Orchestra is determined through the Symphonic Band auditions. The top players in the Symphonic Band will also be placed in the Orchestra.

All audition materials will be video recorded and then uploaded to YouTube as an unlisted (private) video. Students will then share the link to their unlisted YouTube video with the Music Faculty through the WKU Bands Audition link which will be provided in early August. All audition videos must be completed, and the link submitted **before 11:59 pm CST on Thursday, August 15**. It is highly recommended that students in the Big Red Marching Band practice and record their audition videos BEFORE BRMB Early week. Finding time during Early Week Band Camp is difficult and when you have free time, you may be tired. Instructions for uploading an unlisted video on YouTube will be shared with the information about the link in early August.

Rhapsody in Blue

$\text{♩} = 126-132$ Gershwin/Grofe
Allegro agitato e misterioso

33 N.B. *mp*

34 Pomposo *f* *molto marc.* *p* *fz* *p* *fz*

35 Molto stentato *p* *fz* *ff* *molto marc.* *simile*

36 Agitato *f* *mf poco a poco cresc.*

73 $\text{♩} = 132$ One player *mf*

All 83 *cresc.* *ff* *mf*

91 *f*

99 *mf*

rit. 107 Broadly $\text{♩} = 84$ *fp* *ff* rit.

fp *f*

Unbridled Spirit
Brent Kerrick