

## **All City Jazz Band Auditions**

The All-City Jazz Band Auditions will be on Thursday September 26th. Please read the information below as it pertains to your instrument and please make sure you download the appropriate PDF attached. **Please note the Piano and Guitar audition music is 2 pages long, make sure to get both!**

- **Trumpet, Trombone, Saxophone, Bass, Guitar, Piano**
  - See the attached document pertaining to your instrument
    - Each instrument is responsible for learning the parts within the brackets that are marked on the top of each page
    - Listen to the original song! Try to get an idea of what it should sound like
      - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IVBv-TzO8IU>
  - Improvisation
    - Students will be asked to improvise over a Bb Blues. If they have never improvised before that is ok!! I will give them some pointers. I'm mainly looking for a willingness to try!
    - Below is a track for you to practice on!
      - [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-ae\\_tBkCqeQ](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-ae_tBkCqeQ)
  - Scales
    - Students should be able to play the following scales (preferably memorized, one octave, up and down)
      - Trumpet/Tenor Sax- C, F, G
      - Alto/Bari Sax- G, C, D
      - Trombone/Piano/Bass/Guitar- Bb, Eb, F
- **Guitar and Piano:**
  - Guitar and Piano will also be asked to play the following chords
    - Bb7, Eb7, G7, F7, C7, Amin7, Gmin7, Cmin7 and Dmin7
      - They can be played in root position but if you can play inversions that will be beneficial

**Drums Information on the next page**

- **Percussion**

- All Drum Set auditions should be able to play the following drum grooves
  - Swing at 120 BPM
  - Samba at 120 BPM
    - [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ALHI\\_t6oGMY](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ALHI_t6oGMY)
  - Bossa Nova at 120 BPM
    - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CalyWBbYrDc>
  - Funk at 120 BPM
    - <https://youtu.be/Yk4r9XfKd2E?t=98>
  - All Set players will be asked to sight-read basic rhythms only on the snare drum
- All set players will be asked to improvise a solo
  - This should be done in a jazz style with the Hi-Hat hitting on beats 2 and 4 the whole time, below are some examples from AMAZING drummers
    - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fQt2QMtDDiI>
    - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FHbqzX1zokk> (great example of how to solo using only one part of the drum set)
    - [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OPYvRFKbX\\_g](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OPYvRFKbX_g)

Everyone is welcome and encouraged to audition (especially incoming 5th and 6th graders!!) If you have a question about how to do something, I am more than happy to give you some advice!