**All County High School Big Band**

**Audition Invitation and Requirements**

[**Application Form**](https://docs.google.com/a/aacps.org/forms/d/1WyYHAMJnGFRIbuQNibpZm7PmEGEKzTboznNXaI0Anb4/edit?usp=drive_web) **2019-2020**

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_is invited to audition for the **2019-2020** Anne Arundel County Public Schools **All County High School Big Band**. The All County High School Big Band will consist of audition-only students, creating a balanced voicing and instrumentation, led by a guest conductor of strong reputation. Though you are invited to audition for this high-caliber group, this does not guarantee acceptance, including those students who have been accepted in years prior.

Requirements for participation in **All County High School Big Band** are as listed:

Anne Arundel County Public Schools student

Members in good standing of an instrumental or choral music class (affirmed by specific music teacher)

Attend the audition and all rehearsalsfor the full duration (no exceptions)

* All forms signed and returned

***Parents are responsible for providing transportation to the audition, all rehearsals, and the concert.***

All auditions, rehearsals, and the performance will be held at **Broadneck High School**. The schedule is as follows:

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| **AUDITIONS—Wednesday, March 18** | |
| *CHECK-IN* | 3:30 PM-5:00 PM |
| *AUDITION WINDOW* | 4:00 PM-5:30 PM |
| **REHEARSALS** | |
| *Thursday, April 16* | 6:30 PM-9:00 PM |
| *Friday, April 17* | 8:30 AM-3:30 PM |
| **PERFORMANCE DAY—Saturday, April 18** | |
| *Dress Rehearsal*  *Lunch and Dress Time* | 8:30 AM-11:00 AM  11:00 AM-12:30 PM |
| *Performance* | 1:00 PM |

The audition selections, **Cycle IV,** for high school wind and percussion instruments will be placed on Blackboard during the first week of school. The **All County High School Big Band** audition will consist of the following:

* Scales: Blues Scales in F, Bb, C, G (Concert Pitch)—Must be memorized
  + Drum Set players are not required to perform scales
* Cycle IV audition music. Students will play along with the rhythm section track on the CD.
  + Improvisation (highly encouraged)
    - Students will improvise over at least one chorus of while playing along with the rhythm section accompaniment track.
    - Drum Set players are not required to improvise with the accompaniment track

**Rhythm Section Groove Requirements:**

* Guitar, Piano, Bass, & Vibraphone Comping: Blues Changes, Key of Bb: One 12-bar chorus in the styles and tempi listed below
  + Swing mm=120 Swing mm=220 Latin (Bossa Nova) mm=100 Latin (Samba) mm=200 Funk mm=92
* Drum Set: 12 bars of time in the following styles and tempi followed by a 4-bar solo in that style
  + Swing mm=120 Swing mm=220 Latin (Bossa Nova) mm=100 Latin (Samba) mm=200 Funk mm=96
* Drum Set players will also sight-read part of a big band chart to determine reading ability.

**Please keep this page for reference.**

**Complete and return the Student and Parent/Guardian forms to your director.**

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**Student Form**

**2019-2020**

**Student Name \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ School\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

***(Please print your name clearly, the way it should appear in the program)***

**Instrument \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Grade Level\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ SIF# \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**  
  
**Parent/Guardian E-mail address\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

***STUDENT—Please read, initial, sign and return by: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_***

As a participating member of the **All County High School Big Band** music ensemble, I understand that:

→\_\_\_\_\_\_\_I must attend **all** the following rehearsals in order to maintain eligibility. This includes being present and on time to all rehearsals and concert. “On time” means arriving at least 15 minutes early and being seated and warmed up at least 10 minutes prior to the start time.

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→\_\_\_\_\_\_\_I am expected to come to rehearsals and the concert prepared. It is my responsibility to bring all musical supplies, including a pencil, to each rehearsal. It is my responsibility to follow concert attire as listed below:

* **Concert Uniform:** Black dress pants or black skirt with black tights; Black dress shirt or blouse; Black dress shoes and socks.

→\_\_\_\_\_\_\_No student will be allowed to leave the campus during rehearsal hours for any reason, including for

meals. Students must bring a bag lunch for Friday, April 17(full-day rehearsal) and Saturday, April 18 (concert day).

→\_\_\_\_\_\_\_I must follow all Anne Arundel County Public School rules, including the use of good manners, the display of common courtesy and consideration for others, and the show of full attention and respect to the conductor and teacher chaperones.

**Student Name (please print):\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

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**Parent/Guardian Form**

**2019-2020**

***PARENT/GUARDIAN—Please read, initial, and sign EACH OF the following:***

As the parent/guardian of the participating student member of the **All County High School Big Band** music ensemble, I understand that:

→\_\_\_\_\_\_\_I am responsible for providing transportation and ensuring that my student will arrive on time and prepared for the audition, each rehearsal, and performance obligation for their **entirety** as outlined below. I understand that the rehearsal on Friday, April 17 is an excused absence from school and that my student’s director will communicate that to the office. My student’s director will be responsible for communicating all health needs with the student’s home school.

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→\_\_\_\_\_\_\_I am responsible for ensuring my student has a bagged lunch for Friday, April 17 (full-day rehearsal) and Saturday, April 18 (concert day).

→\_\_\_\_\_\_\_I am responsible for ensuring my student follows concert attire as listed below:

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→\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Admission to the concert is $7.00 per person, payable at the door or pre-ordered at the end of the final rehearsal. The revenue from admissions supports county-wide music activities.

→\_\_\_\_\_\_\_I hereby grant the Anne Arundel County Public School System the right to obtain and/or use the student's photograph; and/or video image; and/or voice for educational and informational purposes. I understand that all publications, presentations, and productions will be used within the school system and/or the community at large, and that all images, productions, and content therein become the property of Anne Arundel County Public Schools. *I understand that consent will be necessary for participation in the concert.*

**Student Name (please print):\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Parent/Guardian Name (please print): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

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