

# Plano BAND

## Plano Senior High School

### 2023-2024 Audition Information

The Plano Band is one of the finest high school bands in the country. The friendships formed through the band and the experiences gained through performances will make a lasting impression on your life. The Plano Band staff greatly anticipates the return of its current juniors and looks forward to welcoming the sophomores from Vines and Clark High Schools!! We encourage everyone to join the AWESOME Wildcat Band!

**\*\*\*To access all audition materials that you must bring to your audition, please visit the [Plano Band website \(http://www.pshsband.org\)](http://www.pshsband.org), click on the audition tab, and complete the required information. After completing this form, you will be directed to a link where you can download the audition materials.\*\*\***

### **General Audition Information & Forms**

All auditions will be held at Plano Senior High School at the **scheduled times listed below**. ALL STUDENTS MUST AUDITION AT THE SPECIFIED DATE AND TIME FOR THEIR INSTRUMENT. In order to uphold the integrity and fairness of the audition process, no additional or alternate auditions will be possible. The audition atmosphere will be as comfortable as possible. We want YOU to be a part of the award-winning Plano Band.

**PLEASE BRING THE FOLLOWING COMPLETED FORMS (HARD COPIES) TO YOUR AUDITION:**

- 1) **INSTRUMENT USAGE FORM & Rycor confirmation OR \$85 check**
  - if renting a PISD instrument
- 2) **SECTION LEADER APPLICATION** (if applying)

### **Prepared Etudes**

Each player will be **required to perform two etudes** for his/her given instrument. Please adhere to the tempo markings provided on your etudes.

### **Scales & Arpeggios**

In addition to the prepared excerpts, each student should be *prepared* to perform **all 12 major scales & arpeggios and full range chromatic scale by MEMORY**. The scale & arpeggio pattern that is **required for the audition will be included with the audition packet**. Scales should be performed staccato ascending and slurred descending. Arpeggios should be separated ascending and descending. Scales & Arpeggios should be performed at quarter note = 120.

MAXIMUM CREDIT WILL BE GIVEN FOR BEAUTY OF TONE IN ALL REGISTERS, CORRECT ARTICULATIONS, STEADY PULSE & CORRECT RHYTHMS AT SPECIFIED TEMPOS, CONSISTENT INTONATION, AND MUSICAL NUANCE.

**AUDITION SCHEDULE – PLEASE SEE NEXT PAGE**

# PLANO BAND AUDITION SCHEDULE

**SATURDAY, APRIL 15, 2023**

- All students should meet in the hallway outside their specified room 20 minutes before their scheduled audition time. Audition order and procedures will be discussed at this time.

| <b>Band Hall</b>         | <b>Ensemble Room</b>                 | <b>Orchestra Room</b>  |
|--------------------------|--------------------------------------|------------------------|
| Percussion 9:00 – 11:00a | Flute 9:00 – 10:15a                  | Trombone 9:00 – 10:15a |
|                          | Clarinet 10:15 - 11:45a              | Trumpet 10:15a-12:00p  |
|                          | Alto Saxophone 11:45a - 12:45p       | Tuba 1:00 – 1:30p      |
|                          | Tenor / Bari Saxophone 1:30 – 2:15p  | Euphonium 1:30-2:15p   |
|                          | Bass Clarinet / Bassoon 2:15 – 3:15p | Horn 2:15-3:00p        |
|                          | Oboe 3:15– 3:45p                     |                        |

## JAZZ ENSEMBLE AUDITIONS

A separate audition date and audition material will be required for admittance into the Jazz Ensemble at PSHS. All trumpet, trombone, saxophone, guitar, piano, bass, and drumset players are highly encouraged to audition for Jazz Ensemble. Please see the jazz ensemble audition music for specific audition times. *You will be notified when jazz audition music is available.*

**Jazz Ensemble auditions will be held on May 11 at PSHS from 5-8pm.**

## COLORGUARD AUDITIONS

**Colorguard Clinics & Audition:** April 17-21 (All sessions 4:45pm-6:45pm)

## DRUMLINE AUDITIONS

**Drumline Clinics:** February 27, April 3, May 8 (All sessions 4:45pm-6:45pm)

**Drumline Audition: Saturday, May 7, 1-5pm**

## PLANO EXPERIENCE CAMPS

\*\*\*\*NEW & EXCITING THIS YEAR!!!!\*\*\*\*

Get a jump start on the 2023 show production!

April 3 & 17 (Both sessions 4:45pm-6:45pm)

## SUMMER CAMP INFORMATION

### REQUIRED ATTENDANCE FOR MEMBERSHIP

(Dates are solidified. Times are subject to change slightly)

#### ALL BAND MEMBERS:

##### **FULL BAND**

July 20-21 (8am – 4:30pm)

July 24-28 (8am-5pm)

July 29 (Band Registration & Pool Party)

July 31-August 1 (8am-5pm)

August 2-4 (5:30-9pm)

August 7 (8am-5:30pm)

#### ADDITIONAL AUXILIARY GROUPS

##### **COLORGUARD/PERCUSSION**

May 30-June 2 (8a-5p)/July 17-21 (8a-5p)

##### **BAND OFFICERS**

May 30-June 1 (9a-5p)/July 17-19 (8a-5p)

##### **SECTION LEADERS**

July 17-19 (8a-12p)



# PISD Musical Instrument Usage Agreement

## Student Information (Please Print Legibly)

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade (Fall) 11 | 12  
 Parent/Guardian Name \_\_\_\_\_ School Year: 2023-2024  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Home Ph.: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent Email #1: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Cell Ph.: \_\_\_\_\_ Student Email #1: \_\_\_\_\_

## Instrument Information (To Be Filled Out by Plano Band Staff)

Instrument (NF – Non Field; F – Field)

|                      |                       |                   |                   |
|----------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Piccolo: _____       | Bari Sax (F): _____   | Bass Tbn: _____   | Percussion: _____ |
| Oboe: _____          | Tenor Sax (NF): _____ | Euph: _____       | Other: _____      |
| Bass Clarinet: _____ | Tenor Sax (F): _____  | Bariitone: _____  |                   |
| Bassoon: _____       | Horn: _____           | Tuba: _____       |                   |
| Bari Sax (NF): _____ | Mellophone: _____     | Sousaphone: _____ |                   |

Brand: \_\_\_\_\_ Model: \_\_\_\_\_ Serial No.: \_\_\_\_\_

Condition When Issued: New | Excellent | Good | Fair | Poor Replacement Cost: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Accessories (Check all applicable)

Mouthpiece: \_\_\_\_\_ Bocal: \_\_\_\_\_ Other: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Ligature: \_\_\_\_\_ Tuning Bits: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Seat Strap: \_\_\_\_\_ Adapter: \_\_\_\_\_

## Usage Payment (Fill out payment information request)

Amount Due: **\$85.00** Payment Method: Rycor # \_\_\_\_\_ Check #: \_\_\_\_\_ Cash: \_\_\_\_\_

Director's Signature \_\_\_\_\_

The Plano Independent School District provides certain musical instruments. A non-refundable \$85.00 instrument maintenance fee is charged to maintain the normal wear and use of this instrument for the school year. Students who use multiple instruments in the normal course of instruction will pay a single fee. Parents agree to return the instrument to the director at the end of the semester or academic year, or upon director request, in the same condition it was issued to the student, less reasonable wear. The maintenance fee does not cover major damage or loss. Damage beyond normal wear or loss of the instrument while in the student's possession becomes the responsibility of the parents to pay for repairs or replacement. If the instrument is to be taken home, the Plano ISD encourages parents to cover these instruments on their homeowners insurance policy if possible. Alternative insurance policies are also available at a nominal annual fee. Please see your director if interested.

Please sign below to state that you have read and agree to the terms of this contract.

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please bring this form AND your **\$85** check payable to Plano I.S.D. OR your Rycor confirmation # on April 15, 2023 at your band audition time**

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## Instrument Check-Out / Usage Information

Welcome to the Plano Band! For some of our students, the audition process (April 15, 2023) serves as the first and only form of Plano Band integration prior to summer band activities including band registration. For others, further integration occurs with issuing of Plano Senior High School owned musical instruments. Please allow us this opportunity to relay important information towards your success next year as a Wildcat.

**The following instrumentalists must pay the \$85 PISD instrument usage fee at your Plano Band Audition:**

|               |                          |                        |
|---------------|--------------------------|------------------------|
| Piccolo       | Tenor and Bari Saxophone | Euphonium and Baritone |
| Oboe/Bassoon  | Horn and Mellophone      | Tuba and Sousaphone    |
| Bass Clarinet | Bass Trombone            | Percussion             |

### BEFORE AUDITION:

Bring filled-out PISD Musical Instrument Usage Agreement form and \$85 to your Plano Band audition. Payment via Rycor is preferred; however, checks may also be written payable to **PISD** with “instrument usage” and student’s ID # on the memo line. This form and fee will be collected prior to auditioning. Plano Band staff or audition proctors will be available for assistance. Please print legibly.

### AFTER AUDITION

School-owned instruments from current year membership will be collected and sent away for repair and/or cleaning by semester’s end. Assigning of instruments will occur between audition results posting and *Instrument Check-Out*. Assigning of instruments will only occur to those students who have a PISD Musical Instrument Usage Agreement form on file in the Plano Band Office. Absent forms will be processed in August and instrument issue subject to availability.

### **INSTRUMENT CHECK-OUT: Pick Up Date will be Announced in Late May**

Instruments will be available for pick-up on instrument check-out day at Plano Senior High School in the band hall from 5-6:30p. Instrument check-out will be expedited only to those who have an instrument usage form and usage fee fulfillment on file. A specific and detailed list of instruments and their assigned users will be sent to the local music store contracted in cleaning the instruments allowing our Plano Band students the ability to pick up their instruments, fresh from repair and/or cleaning, before instrument check-out day if needed for summer lessons, music camps, etc... This option is subject to repair schedule put forth by the contracted music store.

(A) Rising seniors currently in the Plano Band will receive their instruments by semester’s end unless repair is needed at which point, will be available for pick up from the contracted music store or on instrument check-out day at PSHS.

(B) Sousaphones will be delivered to Plano Senior High School and ready for use at our first summer band camp. Please contact the Plano Band staff for early summer need, i.e. lessons, camps

(C) Percussionists who are in the battery will receive their instruments at the first summer drumline

The Plano Band is looking forward to you joining our group. You bring experience, knowledge, and skills that enhance our capabilities. Please contact the Plano Band Staff with any questions or concerns.

# Tenor Sax Etude #1

Tenor Sax

S. Verroust

Allegretto ♩ = 88



The musical score is written on a single staff in treble clef, with a key signature of one flat (Bb) and a time signature of 2/4. The tempo is marked 'Allegretto' with a quarter note equal to 88 beats per minute. The score consists of four lines of music, each starting with a measure number: 1, 7, 13, and 19. The first line (measures 1-6) begins with a mezzo-forte (*mf*) dynamic. The second line (measures 7-12) starts with mezzo-piano (*mp*). The third line (measures 13-18) features a crescendo to forte (*f*) followed by a decrescendo to piano (*p*). The fourth line (measures 19-20) starts with forte (*f*), decrescendos to piano (*p*), and then crescendos back to forte (*f*) before ending with a double bar line.

# Tenor Sax Etude #2

Tenor Sax

W. Ferling

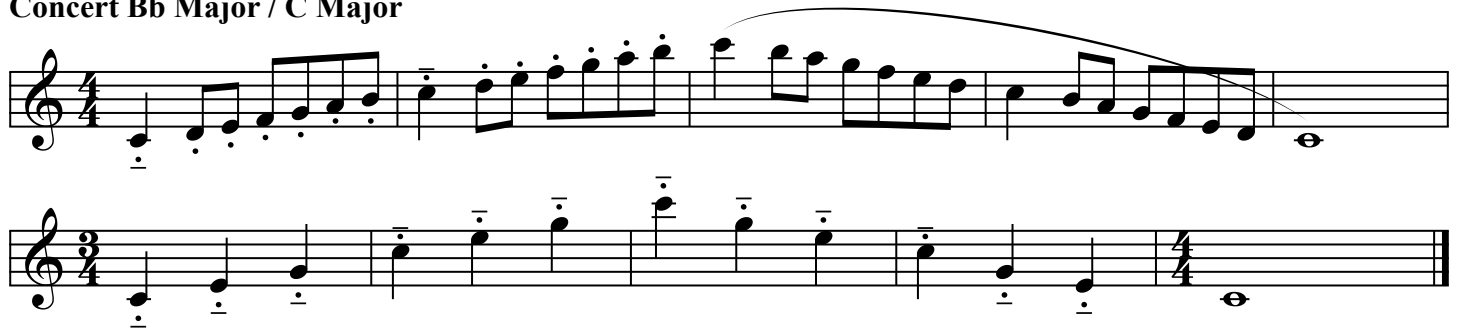
Andante  $\text{♩} = 84$

The musical score is written in treble clef with a key signature of two flats (Bb and Eb) and a time signature of 2/4. It consists of four staves of music. The first staff (measures 1-5) begins with a piano (*p*) dynamic and includes trills (*tr*) and accents (*>*). The second staff (measures 6-10) features a forte (*f*) dynamic, a decrescendo (*decres.*), and ends with a piano (*p*) dynamic. The third staff (measures 11-15) continues with a piano (*p*) dynamic. The fourth staff (measures 16-18) concludes the piece with a final cadence. The score includes various musical notations such as slurs, ties, and dynamic markings.

# Major Scale Patterns and Arpeggios

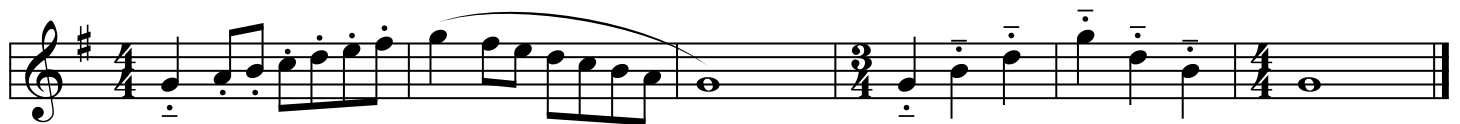
Tenor Saxophone

## Concert Bb Major / C Major



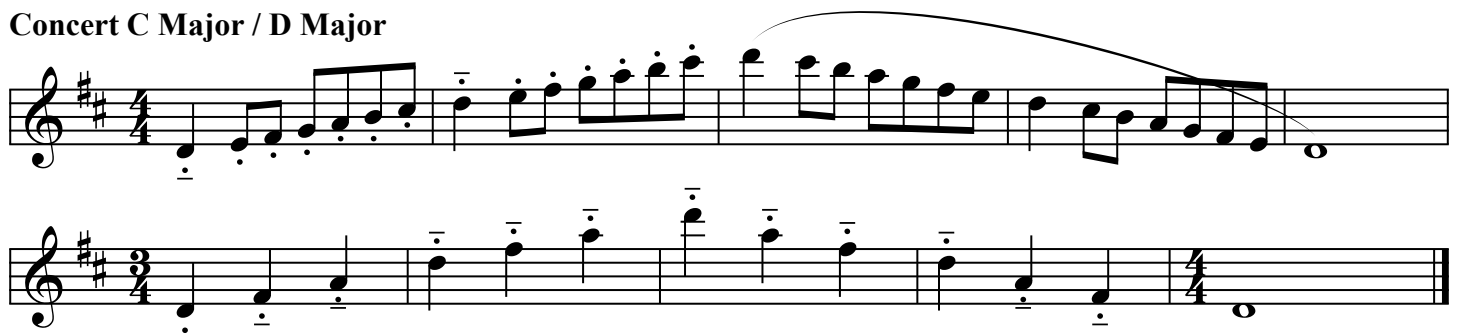
Two staves of music for Concert Bb Major / C Major. The first staff is in 4/4 time, showing an ascending major scale with a slur over the final four notes. The second staff is in 3/4 time, showing an ascending major scale with a slur over the final four notes. Both staves end with a double bar line.

## Concert F Major / G Major



Two staves of music for Concert F Major / G Major. The first staff is in 4/4 time with one sharp (F#), showing an ascending major scale with a slur over the final four notes. The second staff is in 3/4 time with one sharp, showing an ascending major scale with a slur over the final four notes. Both staves end with a double bar line.

## Concert C Major / D Major



Two staves of music for Concert C Major / D Major. The first staff is in 4/4 time with two sharps (D#), showing an ascending major scale with a slur over the final four notes. The second staff is in 3/4 time with two sharps, showing an ascending major scale with a slur over the final four notes. Both staves end with a double bar line.

## Concert G Major / A Major



Two staves of music for Concert G Major / A Major. The first staff is in 4/4 time with three sharps (F#), showing an ascending major scale with a slur over the final four notes. The second staff is in 3/4 time with three sharps, showing an ascending major scale with a slur over the final four notes. Both staves end with a double bar line.

**Concert D Major / E Major**

Two staves of musical notation for Concert D Major / E Major. The top staff is in 4/4 time with a treble clef and a key signature of three sharps (F#, C#, G#). It features a melodic line with eighth and sixteenth notes, including a long slur over the final four measures. The bottom staff is in 3/4 time with a treble clef and the same key signature, providing a harmonic accompaniment of quarter notes.

**Concert A Major / B Major**

Two staves of musical notation for Concert A Major / B Major. The top staff is in 4/4 time with a treble clef and a key signature of three sharps (F#, C#, G#). It features a melodic line with eighth and sixteenth notes, including a long slur over the final four measures. The bottom staff is in 3/4 time with a treble clef and the same key signature, providing a harmonic accompaniment of quarter notes.

**Concert E Major / F# Major; Play two 8vas for Saxes w/ F# keys**

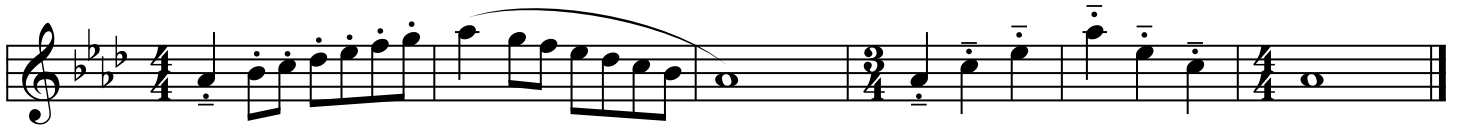
Two staves of musical notation for Concert E Major / F# Major. The top staff is in 4/4 time with a treble clef and a key signature of three sharps (F#, C#, G#). It features a melodic line with eighth and sixteenth notes, including a long slur over the final four measures. The bottom staff is in 3/4 time with a treble clef and the same key signature, providing a harmonic accompaniment of quarter notes.

**Concert B Major / Db Major (Enharmonic C#)**

Two staves of musical notation for Concert B Major / Db Major (Enharmonic C#). The top staff is in 4/4 time with a treble clef and a key signature of three sharps (F#, C#, G#). It features a melodic line with eighth and sixteenth notes, including a long slur over the final four measures. The bottom staff is in 3/4 time with a treble clef and the same key signature, providing a harmonic accompaniment of quarter notes.



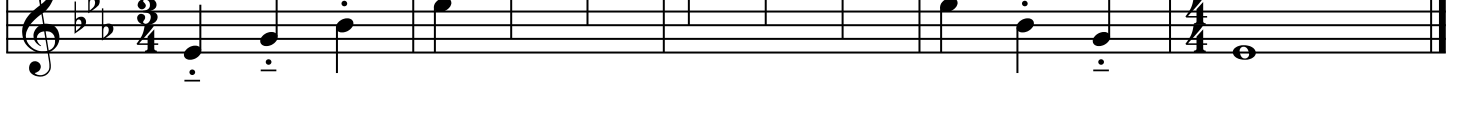
**Concert Gb Major / Ab Major**



**Concert Db Major / Eb Major**



**Concert Ab Major / Bb Major**



**Concert Eb Major / F Major**



**Concert Eb Major / F Major**



**Plano Band Auditions - Winds**

**Major Scales / Arpeggios -**

30 pts per scale x 3 scales per audition (2 Major Scales + Chromatic Scale)

The following point criteria will be followed in scale evaluation:

1 octave expected: 1-30 points for octave achieved; example: 30

2 octaves expected: 15 points per octave achieved; example: 15 & 15

3 octaves expected: 10 points per octave achieved; example: 10 & 10 & 10

**Chromatic Scale -**

10 points per octave achieved per range of instrument

**Etudes -**

100 pts per etude