

## **2023-24 VMHS Instrumental Music Program Percussion Placement Audition Packet**

Enclosed you will find everything you need for your placement audition. Based upon your audition, you will be placed into one of the following four concert groups:

### ***Wind Ensemble I***

(#1 Band - Made up of the top players on campus)

### ***Wind Ensemble II***

(#2 Band – Composed of advanced musicians. Typically made up of Seniors, Juniors, and some Sophomores)

### ***Concert Band I***

(#3 Band – An intermediate group. Typically made up of Seniors, Juniors, Sophomores, and Freshmen)

### ***Concert Band II & III***

(#4 Band – Designed to develop musical skills and prepare students for the #1, #2, and #3 ensembles. Typically made up of Juniors, Sophomores, and Freshmen)

Music auditions will take place after school **May 2<sup>nd</sup>** through **May 4<sup>th</sup>** with one day of “make up auditions” on Friday, **May 5<sup>th</sup>**. All new students interested in auditioning MUST attend the MANDATORY Parent Information Meeting WITH A PARENT.

### **Information Meeting Dates**

#### **Tuesday, April 25th**

Flutes 6pm

Clarinets 7pm

Saxophones, Oboes, & Bassoons 8pm

#### **Wednesday, April 26th**

Trumpets & French Horns 6pm

Trombones, Euphoniums & Tubas 7pm

Percussion 8pm

#### **Thursday, April 27th**

Color Guard 6pm

Make Up Meeting 7pm

New students will sign up for an audition time during the parent meetings.  
For more information, please visit our website at [www.vmhsband.com](http://www.vmhsband.com).

\*This audition is only for concert percussion placement. Jazz and marching percussion have separate auditions.

All audition results will be posted on the "Audition Results" link on the "Resources" page of the band website [www.vmhsband.com](http://www.vmhsband.com) on Wednesday, May 10th.

Your audition will consist of three different components. All audition materials can be found on the "Auditions" link found on the "Resources" page of the band website ([www.vmhsband.com](http://www.vmhsband.com)).

Your audition will consist of five different components. All audition material can be found under the "Auditions" tab on the band website ([www.vmhsband.com](http://www.vmhsband.com)).

1. Complete a "grade check" form and bring it to your audition signed by your teachers, your band director, a parent, and yourself.
2. Play "HS Year A" on a **snare drum** at the marked tempo with a metronome.
3. Play "Peters - Timpani Etude" on **timpani** at the marked tempo with a metronome. Perform up to the asterisk.
4. Play "HS Year A" on **marimba** at the marked tempo with a metronome. Only perform up to the first repeat.

Please read the attached rubric carefully – each component of the audition will be scored from 1-10 based on the rubric. Auditions will be scheduled in seven-minute time intervals.

MY AUDITION DAY AND TIME: \_\_\_\_\_