

#### **BASS CLARINET**

# **Basic Audition Requirements**

#### 1. Chromatic Scale

- Slurred through the range shown below
- Sixteenth notes, quarter note at a minimum of 60 bpm
- Must be memorized



### 2. Major & Melodic Minor Scales

• One major and one melodic minor scale in the keys below, to be selected by the judges:

C major F major Bb major Eb major D major E major Ab major G major A major A minor D minor G minor C# minor C minor F minor E minor B minor F# minor

- Keys that are in **bold** are to be played in 3 octaves; all others are in 2 octaves
- Tongued or slurred, to be selected by the judges
- Sixteenth notes, quarter note at a minimum of 60 bpm
- Must be memorized
- Do not transpose

#### 3. Solo

Musicians are expected to play 3-4 minutes from a solo of the musician's choice, without accompaniment. The judges may ask for any portion of the selected work. Musicians are encouraged to choose a piece that best demonstrates their level of playing. The degree of difficulty of the chosen work is factored into the judging, but the execution of the piece is equally considered.

## **Orchestral Excerpts - Final Auditions Only**

Musicians who advance to the final auditions will be required to prepare a set of orchestral excerpts in addition to what is listed above. The excerpts will be provided in early May. Musicians may play the excerpts in any order they choose.

**Please note:** while bass clarinet applicants may play their entire preliminary audition on bass clarinet, they will need to perform the B-flat clarinet excerpts in the final audition in addition to the bass clarinet requirements above.