

Solo/Ensemble

This is an opportunity for your child to learn and perform a selection of music for a professional adjudicator. This is a wonderful way for them to get personal feedback on their development with their instrument.

Adjudicators are going to evaluate their performance but most of all they are going to give suggestions to your child to help them improve their music experience. It is always meant to be a positive event.

Students will select a solo that is on the FBA approved list. Grade levels from 1 – 7. Grade level 1 is meant to be a first year musician. If a student in 6th grade follows a normal progression of solos by the time he/she would be playing a grade level 7 in 12th grade.

Almost every solo requires a pianist to perform with the students. IT IS a performance! You may select a piano player from a few choices: If you need a piano player we will be able to locate one for you. If you have another person that you know that can play the accompanist part you are welcome to use them. Please remember that the students **MUST compensate the piano player for their time. They would have at least 2 rehearsals with your child just prior to the event. They will also be at the event to perform the music with your child. Several of those pianists that I know will also give positive feedback during the rehearsals to help your child have the best experience.**

When you are informed of the day and time of your schedule performance please make sure that you arrive at Creekside High School to check in, find your performance room, and then warm up in the cafeteria area. Then just before your performance you will need to go to the room you are performing in and wait for your time. Times can be running ahead of time or possible a little behind. Sometimes piano accompanists are in other rooms performing other solos and flexibility is the needed.

Scores will generally be posted in the cafeteria about 30 minutes after their performance.

Dress code should be considered performance attire. You do not need to wear a uniform but dressing professionally is important. Remember you **ARE performing for someone.**

If you have any more questions please contact me.

Remember that the deadline for the registration is December 6th, 2019

If a student registers and then backs out they are responsible to reimburse the band for their registration fees.

Musically,

**Don Isabelle
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