

Byng Arts Band Audition Information 2026-2027

Information for students preparing for Band Auditions



Audition interview:

Students will bring their instrument(s) and chosen music to Lord Byng Secondary and have a face to face meeting with the Band Director. There will be limited space to warm up at Lord Byng so please make sure to warm up offsite.

Applicants should prepare for the following:

1. Chromatic Scale:

Students should prepare a chromatic scale that goes from the lowest note in their range to the highest note and back down with good tone.

2. Two Contrasting Selections: 1 min each

Students should prepare to play two short contrasting selections that showcases tone, technique, rhythm, and musicality. Excerpts taken from larger works are ideal – you will not have time to play the entire work. Short Etudes will also work.

3. Sightreading:

The Band Director will provide some short excerpts for sightreading.

4. General Questions:

It is encouraged that candidates ask questions they may have regarding the program at this time. The Band Director will also ask several questions in order to get to know the candidates.

*****The entire audition/interview will be a maximum of 15 minutes*****

Thank you for your interest in the band program! Should you have any questions regarding the program and/or auditions, please contact our Fine Arts Co-ordinator Mr. Hartley-Folz at byngarts@vsb.bc.ca.

Best wishes,

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