

# Solo & Ensemble Contest

## Saturday, January 28

### *Information*

#### Contest Site

The contest will be held at Wiley Middle School. Below is the address:

1701 CR 271  
Leander, TX 78641

Please leave cases in your car or the cafeteria. The band hall will be used by the percussionists for contest. Warm-up is in the cafeteria. Please remember that no food or drinks will be allowed inside the school except in the cafeteria.

#### Dress

Wear something nice (**No shorts, no jeans, or T-shirts**). This contest is a mini-concert in which you are the only performers in the room. Judges expect to see professional-looking players. Please talk to all the members of your ensemble and discuss what everyone will wear. If you are not sure what to wear, wear your concert attire. If needed, you may change in a restroom into your athletic/dance clothes after your performance.

#### What to Bring

Your band directors will bring your copy of your ensemble and your blue judge's form for you to the room you will be performing in. You need your instrument, your music, and anything you need to perform that day (such as tuners, pick ups, and valve oil).

#### Check-In and Warm-up

Arrive 25-30 minutes before your assigned playing time. Look at the signs to find what room you are scheduled to play in. Look for your judge/room number. Check-in at your judge's room after warming up about 10 minutes before you play. You may warm-up in the cafeteria ONLY. DO NOT play your instrument in the hallways or outside your judge's room. You will be disqualified if you play anywhere but inside the cafeteria. NO FOOD OR DRINK IS ALLOWED ANYWHERE EXCEPT THE CAFETERIA! There might a concession stand in the cafeteria with drinks and snacks. Leander Middle School is a very nice facility, and we do not want to leave it trashed.

#### What to do in the room

Enter the room quietly and show your pearly whites to the judge (SMILE!). Take time to set up your stands and/or chairs like you have practiced. Pick one person to introduce everyone in your ensemble (first names only) and to announce the title of the ensemble you will be performing. Ensembles may tune together and find their first pitch together. Play your ensemble with confidence, good posture, and a big sound. Thank the judge for listening after you play. Exit quietly, and you may go home. Please do not hang out at the school. There will be close to 800 students performing at LMS --- we need to make room for them. So, on Saturday --- show up, warm-up, play, pack up, and go home. There will be other events going on at LMS that day, so please stay in the area you are assigned to. Thank you!

#### Results

You will receive your results on Monday. Medals and/or comment sheets will be handed out then.

**PRACTICE HARD AND GOOD LUCK!**