

ASBOA All-State Jazz Audition Assignments

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Committee chairmen, please contact each person on your committee by January 24th.

Get a commitment from each one including the Sheet Validator.

- If you have a committee member who is not going to be able to serve, they must contact ddove@atu.edu as soon as possible to be excused.
- Yellow Highlight = Contacted Office & Confirmed to Serve - Selections with "*" = Committee Chair
- Audition Committee Personnel notify the Committee Chair! – Committee Chairman contact Dewayne Dove: ddove@atu.edu
- Please bring 5 copies of each tryout exercise. Include music for posting, judges and the player.
- Be familiar with the scales and beat patterns that are allowed and the number and designation of octaves.
- Remember to bring the music for the sight-reading.
- Remember to **bring the appropriate sound files and speaker** for your room for the All-State Improvisation accompaniment.
- **Sheet Validators – Please bring a stapler and extra staples.**

Alto Saxophone	Piano
*Kaleb Knight – Vilonia – 9	*Brian Rhodes – Booneville – 8
James Pianalto – Bryant - 1	Ryan Burton – Gurdon – 2
Aaron Decker – West Memphis – 4	Al Clevenger – Batesville – 5
Validator – Andrew Williams - Conway - 9	Validator - Joshua South - Central AR Christian - 1
Tenor/Bari Saxophone	Drum Set
*Keith Matthews – Bryant – 1	*Ben White – Jonesboro – 5
Philip Shewmaker - Bentonville – 6	Paul Stivitts – Pottsville – 9
Cody Ballard – Nettleton – 5	Andrew Coleman - Marion - 4
Validator – Jacob Happy - Nashville - 2	Validator – Michael Ferguson - Prairie Grove - 7
Trumpet	Alternate Judges
*Cody Jernigan – Vilonia – 9	Nathan Andrews - Morrilton - 9 (Trumpet)
Hunter Durham – Jonesboro – 5	Jason Marshall - Fayetteville - 7 (Trombone)
Jose Holloway – LR Southwest – 1	Don Edwards - Texarkana - 2 (Guitar/Bass)
Validator – Noah McClay - Rivercrest - 5	George Vera - Rogers - 6 (Piano)
Trombone	Audition Office
*Kerry Blakemore – Conway – 9	Trent Warner – Jonesboro
Zach Whitworth – Hellstern MS – 7	Dewayne Dove – ASBOA
Larry Brown – Arkadelphia – 2	Bonnie Heathcock – ASBOA
Validator – Kinley Beard - Heber Springs - 9	Joseph Gearhart – ASBOA
Guitar	Scott Villines – Lakeside
*Adam Coats – Fort Smith Northside – 8	Ralph Brody – Fort Smith Southside
Alexander Michaels - El Dorado - 3	Erica Hann – Cabot
Dillon Green - Dardanelle – 9	Brian Pearson – Brookland
Validator – Woodrow Boyd – Hope - 2	Greg Bruner – Highland
Bass	Jon Shultz – Lake Hamilton
*Carl McCraney – Lakeside Hot Springs – 2	Tom Chentnik – Mt. Home
Logan Dooly – Lavaca – 8	Sarah Abbott – Russellville
Matt Simpson – Bryant – 1	Amanda Lucy – Batesville
Validator – Christopher Crutchfield - NLR - 1	