

## Talented Assessment Requirements for Music Applicants

The music assessment is a two-part assessment: performance and on-site.

**Performance Assessment:** Students will sign up for a performance time with the campus music instructor. The campus music instructor will video record the student performing two prepared solos (instrumental and/or vocal).

- If the student is not prepared to perform two pieces, they will NOT be allowed to perform.
- At least one selection must be memorized.
- All pieces should be age and ability appropriate in range and style.
  - Songs learned in music class, church choir, band, choir, orchestra or civic groups are appropriate.
  - Songs may be sung or played with or without accompaniment.
  - Campus music instructors may offer suggestions for appropriate music.
- Students may sing/play with a recorded accompaniment (karaoke style).
- Students may NOT sing/play with a performer on a recording.
- These performances will be assessed by a panel of music instructors.

**Elementary On-site Assessment (grades 1-4):** Students will sign up online for a classroom assessment by grade level at a centralized location in the school district.

- There is no home preparation for this portion of the assessment.
- A panel of music instructors will assess the student's ability to match pitch, learn rhythmic and melodic patterns, and perform short musical phrases as a harmony part or as an accompaniment.

**Middle School On-site Assessment (Grades 5-7):** After the performances are complete the campus music instructor will video record the student responses to the music aptitude questions that demonstrates their knowledge of pitch matching and discernment of melodic and rhythmic elements.

- There is no home preparation for this portion of the assessment.
- The recordings will be assessed by a panel of music instructors.

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