

# TAYLOR COUNTY BAND—GRADING LEVEL SYSTEM

Teacher initial in Box = Complete

Name \_\_\_\_\_

## Level 1

- Bb Major Scale – 1 octave
- F Major Scale – 1 octave
- Good tone appropriate to High School Level
- Demonstrate appropriate posture and playing position
- Sustain a long tone for 15 seconds
- Continuous 16<sup>th</sup> notes at 60 BPM

## Level 2

- Eb Major Scale – 1 octave
- C Major Scale – 1 octave
- Chromatic Scale – 1 octave
- Continuous 16<sup>th</sup> notes at 70 BPM
- Rhythm Study # 1

## Level 3

- Ab Major Scale – 1 octave
- G Major Scale – 1 octave
- D Major Scale – 1 octave
- D b Major Scale – 1 octave
- Continuous 16<sup>th</sup> notes at 80 BPM

## Level 4

- A Major Scale – 1 octave
- E Major Scale – 1 octave
- F Major Scale – 2 octaves
- Chromatic Scale – 2 octaves
- Continuous 16<sup>th</sup> notes at 90
- Rhythm Study # 2

## Level 5

- B Major Scale – 1 octave
- Gb/F# Major Scale – 1 octave
- Bb Major Scale – 2 octaves
- Ab Major Scale – 2 octaves
- Continuous 16<sup>th</sup> notes at 100 BPM
- All-District/State Music performed without stopping

## Level 6

- G Major Scale – 2 octaves
- A Major Scale – 2 octaves
- Gb/F# Major Scale – 2 octaves
- Chromatic Scale – 2 ½ octaves
- Thirds Exercise in Bb Major
- Thirds Exercise in F Major
- Thirds Exercise in Eb Major
- Continuous 16<sup>th</sup> notes at 110 BPM
- All-District/State Music performed 80% correct
- Rhythm Study # 3

## Level 7

- All Major Scales– 2 octaves in 2.5 Minutes
- Thirds Exercise in Ab Major
- Thirds Exercise in C Major
- Thirds Exercise in G Major
- g natural minor scale – 1 octave
- d natural minor scale – 1 octave
- a natural minor scale – 1 octave
- c natural minor scale – 1 octave
- Continuous 16<sup>th</sup> notes at 120 BPM
- All-District/State Music performed 90% correct

### **Level 8**

- All Major Scales (2 octaves) in 2 minutes
- Thirds Exercise in D Major
- Thirds Exercise in Gb/F # Major
- Thirds Exercise in Db Major
- e natural minor scale – 1 octave
- b natural minor scale – 1 octave
- f # natural minor scale – 1 octave
- c # natural minor scale – 1 octave
- Achieve All-District Level OR 2<sup>nd</sup> Round All-State
- Rhythm Study # 4

### **Level 9**

- a-flat natural minor scale – 1 octave
- e-flat natural minor scale – 1 octave
- Thirds Exercise in A Major
- Thirds Exercise in E Major
- Thirds Exercise in B Major

### **Level 10**

- All Minor Scales in 3 forms – 1 octave
- Achieve All-State Band or Governor's School for the Arts
- Study privately on your instrument with approved instructor (1 year)

## TAYLOR COUNTY BAND – RUBRIC FOR GRADING LEVEL SYSTEM

GRADE- SEMESTER	LEVEL 1	LEVEL 2	LEVEL 3	LEVEL 4	LEVEL 5	LEVEL 6	LEVEL 7	LEVEL 8	LEVEL 9	LEVEL 10
<b>9-1</b>	88	94	96	99	100	100	100	100	100	100
<b>9-2</b>	80	88	93	96	100	100	100	100	100	100
<b>10-1</b>	75	82	90	93	98	100	100	100	100	100
<b>10-2</b>	68	80	87	90	96	98	100	100	100	100
<b>11-1</b>	66	77	84	87	94	96	100	100	100	100
<b>11-2</b>	64	74	80	84	92	94	98	100	100	100
<b>12-1</b>	62	71	76	82	90	92	96	98	100	100
<b>12-2</b>	60	68	72	80	88	90	92	96	100	100