

## Region 22 Sightreading Examples

The Region 22 Sightreading Examples are designed to provide the students with pieces to show them the format and approximate difficulty level of the etudes that they will see at the region auditions.

There are 4 etudes. The first and last are in the key of Bb concert. The others are in the keys of F and Eb concert. Each etude uses rhythms that can be found on the "Region 22 Sightreading Rhythms" page. The 4<sup>th</sup> etude is a bit more challenging than the first three.

Here are a few other notes about the etudes:

- There is a transposed horn part that can be played with the band. I would also give them the trumpet part to practice on their own, since that is a better representation of the range that they will see at the audition.
- There is a percussion page with two etudes on it that has the multiple percussion requirements that they will see at the audition. These two pieces have no connection to those of the wind players and are not intended to be played along with the winds. There is a mallet page that can be played with the winds.
- The format of these examples is just like what they will play at region auditions except that there will be only one etude (8 measures) on the page.
- Note that the position of the starting note fingering for some woodwind instruments is in a different location than in the past 2 years. I placed it prior to, and in line with the first staff line. This was done to improve the spacing between the first and second lines.
- The actual audition etudes will be different for each instrument.
- For consistency, the wind fingerings were all borrowed from SmartMusic.
- The rhythm practice page begins with the various 8<sup>th</sup> note patterns. Clap, count and play these often. Play them straight down the page. Play each measure on the note of a scale. Line 9 begins the mixed use of these rhythms, which are generally harder than what they would see in most sightreading etudes. Have the kids be responsible for passing off each measure. You might also require them to turn in the first page with all the counting written in. I have designed this so that you could copy the second page on the right hand side of the first.