



VENTO Winds
**High School Concerto Competition Rules
2022-23**

Auditions: Saturday, January 28, 2023

Completed Application and fee must be returned to **VENTO Winds**
by **Friday, January 20, 2023.**

Eligibility:

The competition is open to performers in **grades 9-12** of wind, brass, percussion instruments, and keyboard.

Repertoire:

- Musical selections should be chosen carefully. The most successful pieces come from the standard repertoire for each instrument.
- The composition **must have** wind band parts readily available from a publisher. Consideration of a winner will include the availability and expense of performance parts.
- The judges and music director reserve the right to disqualify a contestant on the basis of a selection that is not suitable for this competition.
- The composition must be for solo instrument. Duets will be accepted at the discretion of the Concerto Competition Committee.
- Students must audition on the composition they intend to perform with VENTO Winds.
- Contact Music Director Andrew Mast (andrew.mast@lawrence.edu) with questions regarding repertoire.

Audition:

- Live auditions will be held on **Saturday, January 28, 2023**, at **Lawrence University, 9am-noon**. Audition times will be emailed to applicants by Monday, January 23, 2023.
- All finalists are encouraged to perform by memory.
- Participants **MUST** have an accompanist for their audition. **THERE WILL BE NO EXCEPTIONS.**
- On the day of the audition, the soloist must meet performance standards, regardless of the length or difficulty of the composition.
- The entire movement or solo must be performed (time limit of 15 minutes.)
- Judges must be provided with three (3) copies of the music to be performed.
- The decision of the judges is **FINAL**. Judges reserve the right not to select a winner.
- Winner(s) will be notified via email upon completion of all auditions.
- Winner(s) will perform with VENTO Winds on **Sunday, March 19, 2023, at 4pm**, and should be available for rehearsals **Sunday, February 26, March 5, and March 12, 2023, from 6-8:30pm.**
- Professional dress is encouraged but not required.

Application:

Applications **must be postmarked by Friday, January 20, 2023**, and must include the following:

- Completed application form
- Non-refundable fee of \$25 made out to VENTO Winds
(*mailing address is located at the bottom of the Application Form*)