

AYSP HS Audition Requirements:

1. Major Scales: G, D, or A (2 octaves when ability in upper and lower ranges allow) – slurred up, tongued down; Quarter = 90-100
2. Excerpts (optional for YCO)
3. Prepared Solo or Etude (maximum length of 3 minutes; don't take repeats)

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High School Bassoon (Bass Clarinet, Tenor Sax) Audition Excerpts

Excerpts required only for placement into YS and YO.

Excerpts not required for placement into YCO.

Wagner: Introduction to Act III of Lohengrin – 1 before D to 3 after E

In 2, half note = 76-80

Sehr lebhaft

♩ (IN 2)

a tempo

p *ff dim. p rit.* *ff* *ff*

D **E**

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Dukas: The Sorcerer's Apprentice – rehearsal 7 to 9
Dotted quarter note = 104-108 (in 1)

The image shows a musical score for rehearsal 7 to 9 of Dukas's 'The Sorcerer's Apprentice'. It consists of five systems of music. The first system is a single bass clef staff with a large 'X' over the first few notes. A bracket groups the rest of the staff, with a box containing the number '7' and the word 'Soli' above it. Below the staff, it says 'Bass à 2' and 'mf'. The second system continues the bass line. The third system also continues the bass line, with the instruction 'poco cresc.' below it. The fourth system is a grand staff (treble and bass clefs) with a box containing the number '8' above the treble clef. The bass line is heavily crossed out with a thick black line. The treble line has a '2' above it, followed by 'p marc.', 'mf', 'p', and 'p'. The fifth system is also a grand staff with a box containing the number '9' above the treble clef. The bass line is again heavily crossed out. The treble line has 'Soli' above it, followed by 'dim.', 'pp', and 'p'. The system ends with a double bar line and a repeat sign.

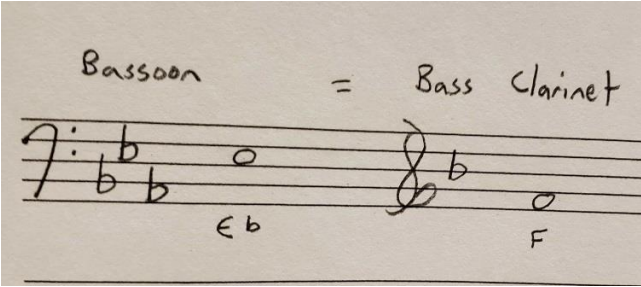
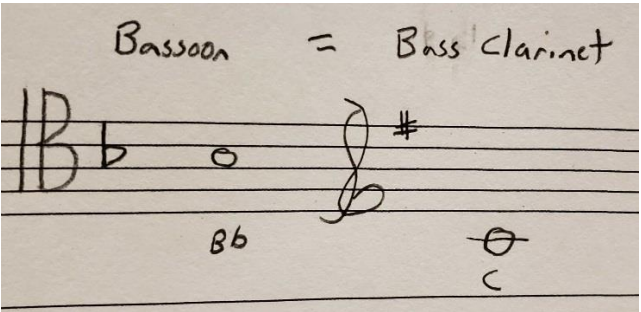
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Transposing a Bassoon/Trombone part into Bass Clarinet/Tenor Sax

by Dan Whisler, AYSP Music Director

General tips in transposing from a C (concert pitch) instrument to Bb bass clarinet or tenor sax:

- To read in treble clef, read up a major 9th (octave plus a major 2nd/whole step)
- To read in bass clef (if comfortable), read up a major 2nd/whole step

Original Bassoon/Trombone part (C concert pitch)	Reading on Bb Bass Clarinet/Tenor Sax
<p>Bassoon part in bass clef</p>  <p>(note that in this example, the Eb major key signature becomes F major – equivalent of adding two sharps/removing two flats)</p>	<p>Special trick: read original bass clef bassoon part as if it were treble clef, add two sharps (or remove two flats) from original key signature, adjust accidentals accordingly, and play down a perfect fifth from written pitch</p> <p>(i.e. read bass clef third space Eb as treble third space C, play it as first space F, as shown to the left)</p>
<p>Bassoon/Trombone part in tenor clef</p>  <p>(note that in this example, the F major key signature becomes G major – equivalent of adding two sharps/removing two flats)</p>	<p>Special trick: read original tenor clef bassoon part as if it were treble clef, add two sharps (or remove two flats) from original key signature, adjust accidentals accordingly, and play down an octave from what it is written</p> <p>(i.e. read tenor clef third space Bb as treble third space C, play it as middle C below the treble clef staff, as shown to the left)</p>