



Audition Information 2022-2023

Youth Orchestra Auditions will consist of the following:

Brief solo (approx. 1 minute) of your choice
Orchestra excerpts (provided by KSYO)
Sightreading and Scales

Scale minimum tempo requirements

♩=100 for all scales
♩=80 for scales demonstrating four spiccato strokes (off-string, bouncing) per quarter

Audition Preparation

Lessons. Seek lessons from your private teacher. Please notice that some excerpts may not have many (or any!) *extra markings* or *bowings*. Your private teacher can help you with those aspects, as well as give you valuable advice on how to successfully prepare for your audition!

Listen to at least three different recordings of your audition repertoire. Listening to recordings is an important step in preparation for an audition (the *more* recordings, the better). Also, it is helpful to PLAY a recording while you practice!

Tempo. Perform at the tempo indicated. If a tempo is not indicated, get a general sense of tempo from recordings, and from your orchestra director/band director/private lesson instructor.

Practice slowly, with a metronome. After several slow passes through the excerpts, start to play faster: 1/2 tempo, 3/4 tempo, then full tempo. Practice at speeds slower and faster than the tempi indicated.

Intonation. Keep listening, carefully, to your intonation while practicing.
Wind and Brass players: work with a tuner. If you do not have one, buy one! A tuner is an essential tool in becoming a better performer.

Musicianship. Be careful to observe accents, dynamics, accidentals, written instructions and other musical aspects notated on the music. Knowledge of additional performance practices and traditions are important as well. Pay attention to all details in the music. Read the music carefully and don't take anything for granted. Play musically once technique is established.

Mozart: Symphony No. 35, first movement
meas. 13-33
meas. 59-66

Be sure to get good bowings on all excerpts!

Tempo: $\text{♩} = 72-76$

Allegro con spirito

13-33

59-66

I. INTRODUZIONE

Béla Bartók

The image displays a musical score for the first introduction of a piece by Béla Bartók. It consists of three staves of music. The top staff begins with a measure number '35' in a box. The middle staff contains a measure number '44' in a box. The bottom staff features a '10' written below it. The score includes various musical notations such as slurs, accents (marked with 'v'), and dynamic markings like 'pp'. The music is written in a complex, non-traditional style characteristic of Bartók's work.