



Fall 2017
YOUTH CHAMBER PLAYERS
AUDITION REQUIREMENTS

Open to Violas Entering Grades 4-10 in the Fall of 2017

Applications DUE: AUGUST 11, 2017

(Each audition is limited to five minutes.)

1. **TECHNIQUE GUIDELINES** – It is recommended that students be at this skill level before considering an audition for Youth Chamber Players.
 1. Proficiency in the Keys of D, G, C, F, and B-flat
 2. Proficiency in shifting to higher positions
 3. Some knowledge of vibrato
 4. Music reading experience, including knowledge of letter names of notes.
2. **SCALES** – Musicians must demonstrate the following skills on scales:
 - A. **Viola** – Quarter note = 120 or faster
 - Scale #1: Two or three octaves (preferred) of C Major with this articulation pattern:**
 - Ascending – legato, using separate bows with a full tone
 - Descending – slur four quarter notes to a bow
 - Scale #2: Two octaves of G Major or D Major (Student's Choice) with this articulation pattern:**
 - Ascending and Descending – spiccato eighth notes, two or four notes per pitch
2. **TWO MINUTES OF PREPARED SOLO MATERIAL** – Demonstrate lyrical and technical facility.
 - Please provide a copy (copy or piano accompaniment part) of the solo for the judge.
 - Solo material must not come from a method book.
 - Anyone (teacher, student, parent, etc.) who provides a note or information to a judge, that may influence an audition, will not be allowed to audition.

For more information about the Youth Orchestras program and auditions please call Anne Marie Brown at the Wichita Symphony office (316-267-5259, ext. 107) or email ambrown@wso.org for more information

WSYO MEMBERSHIP

Membership is by audition only and those selected for membership must maintain active membership in their school orchestra program on the instrument they are playing in the Youth Orchestras.

- All students must have the recommendation of their orchestra instructor. (Exceptions are students from schools that have no orchestra program.)
- Students who do not have an orchestra program at their school (or homeschool) must be recommended by their school official and their private teacher. They must remain active in private lessons throughout the school year.
- Dropping out of the school orchestra program at any time means forfeiture of Youth Orchestras membership

**WICHITA SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA YOUTH ORCHESTRAS
YOUTH CHAMBER PLAYERS: Strings entering Grades 4-10
AUDITION APPLICATION FORM FOR THE 2017-2018 SCHOOL YEAR
DUE: AUGUST 11, 2017**

NAME (PRINT CLEARLY) : _____

MAILING ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ ZIP: _____ PREFERRED PHONE: _____

STUDENT EMAIL: _____ **PARENT EMAIL:** _____

INSTRUMENT: _____

SCHOOL NEXT YEAR: _____

GRADE NEXT YEAR: _____

PRIVATE INSTRUCTOR'S NAME: _____

➤ **PRIVATE INSTRUCTOR'S SIGNATURE:** _____

PRIVATE INSTRUCTOR'S EMAIL AND/OR PHONE: _____

ORCHESTRA DIRECTOR'S NAME: _____

CURRENT DIRECTOR'S SCHOOL EMAIL AND PHONE: _____

SCHOOL OFFICIAL NAME (Complete only if there is no band or orchestra at your school.) _____

SCHOOL OFFICIAL'S EMAIL AND PHONE: _____

*If school does not have a school orchestra or band program, a private teacher's signature is required as well as a signature from a school official.

IF YOU ARE A CURRENT MEMBER OF THE YOUTH ORCHESTRAS PROGRAM, WHICH ORCHESTRA AND SECTION ARE YOU A MEMBER? _____

APPLICATION DEADLINE: Please bring this form with you to the audition.

MAIL TO: Wichita Symphony, 225 W. Douglas, Suite 207, Wichita, KS 67202

NOTIFICATION: Audition time will be e-mailed no later than AUGUST 13, 2017.

AUGUST 2017 AUDITIONS – INDIVIDUAL TIMES WILL BE ASSIGNED ON AUGUST 15, 2017.