

2025-2026 Cello Audition Materials

Each student must perform the following list from this packet that best represents their level of ability. Each excerpt is intended to represent skills required for each of the WSYO ensembles. Click here to read descriptions of each ensemble. Consult your private or schoolteacher regarding which materials you should prepare. Students should reference recordings for tempo and style.

Audition Requirements

- 1. 2 minutes of a solo of your choice. Please state the title of your solo.
- 2. Two scales, 2 or 3-octave major or minor scales of your choice.
 - a. 1st scale should be played as eighth notes with a spiccato stroke,
 2 notes per pitch, ascending and descending (quarter note = 130 or faster)
 - b. 2nd scale should be played slurred ascending, with 4 quarter notes per bow, and a martelé stroke descending, one note per bow (quarter note = 120 or faster)
- 3. Excerpts from this packet

Students auditioning will automatically be considered for all ensembles ranked below their top preference.

Video auditions should be submitted in one continuous take. Do not pause or stop the video in between solos, scales, or excerpts.



Excerpt #1: Youth Chamber Players

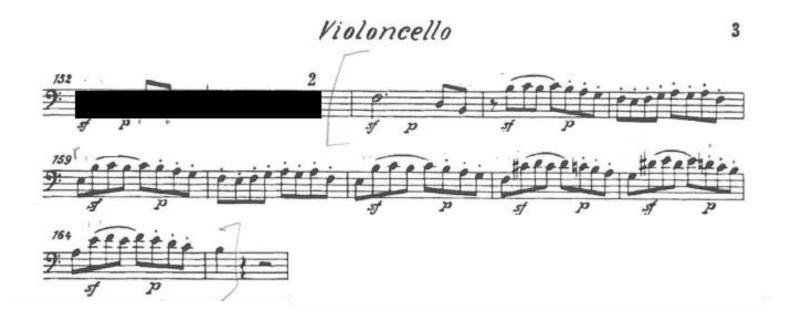
Andante & Allegro from Sonatas for Two Violins and Continuo Giuseppe Tartini arr. Ben Clinesmith Rehearsal number 17 – end





Excerpt #2: Repertory Orchestra

Der Schauspieldirektor W.A. Mozart mm. 156 – 165





Excerpts #3 & #4: Youth Symphony





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Symphony No. 4, Mvt. II

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Andantino in modo di canzona

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