

SEATING AUDITIONS

Philharmonic, Symphonic Strings and Chamber Ensemble will have auditions to determine seating within each section. The auditions will be based on excerpts from the music. Each ensemble member will be given a list of excerpts to work on for the auditions.

Philharmonic – Thursday, Oct. 1
Chamber Ensemble – Oct. 7
Symphonic Strings – Oct. 14

Excerpts for Symphonic Strings and Chamber Ensemble have been distributed and are also posted on the “Student Resources” page of the website.

Crescendo Orchestra will hold playing assessments after rehearsals on October 7 and 14 to determine seating. The excerpts were emailed.

SECTIONALS

The orchestra will be divided into instrument sections and work with a coach during rehearsal time:

Chamber Ensemble – Oct. 7
Symphonic Strings – Oct. 14
Crescendo Orchestra – Oct. 21

ATTENDANCE

Students are allowed two non-school related absences per concert cycle (church activities, family events, illness, etc.). These absences require an email from the parent. School-related absences require the teacher/advisor/director to email the ensemble’s personnel manager in order for the absence to be excused. Please send emails to the appropriate ensemble manager in advance of the absence if possible:

Philharmonic: Phil@ahsmaail.com
Symphonic Strings:
LSS@ahsmaail.com Chamber
Ensemble: LCE@ahsmaail.com
Crescendo Orch.:
LCO@ahsmaail.com
Prelude Strings: LPS@ahsmaail.com

CONCERTO AUDITIONS

Each ensemble will participate in a Concerto Concert this season:

CONCERT DATES:

Chamber Ensemble, Crescendo Orchestra & Prelude Strings:

Wed., March 2

Philharmonic: Fri., March 25

Symphonic Strings: Wed., March 30

The soloists or group soloists will be determined by audition. To audition for Philharmonic, Symphonic Strings or Chamber Ensemble, the student must perform a concerto that is memorized, polished and accompanied. Crescendo Orchestra and Prelude Strings will audition on a solo piece that will be determined by the conductor. The chosen students will perform their concerto accompanied by the orchestra. Crescendo and Prelude Strings will choose multiple students to perform the solo in a small group. You will receive a link to the sign-up page for a time slot. Please include the name of your concerto so the conductor can make sure that it is a piece that can be accompanied by the ensemble.

AUDITION DATES:

Chamber Ensemble: Wed., Oct. 28

Crescendo Orchestra: Wed., Oct. 28

Symphonic Strings: Wed., Nov. 4

Philharmonic: Wed., Nov. 11

QUESTIONS

Visit the website for calendars, Handbook, and other information:
www.american-heritage.org/Music/Orchestra

For any additional questions contact Stacey Page, Orchestra Manager: lyceumorchesteras@gmail.com; 801-251-0729 or 602-625-1430 (cell).

VOLUNTEERS

We appreciate the many volunteers who help to assure that everything runs smoothly at rehearsals, concerts and events. We can’t do it without you! Remember that “Each family is required to complete a minimum of one volunteer assignment per student who participates.” (Parent Handbook). We still have plenty of available volunteer positions to fill through the end of the Season.

The volunteer sign up forms will be posted on the website. We will also need many volunteers to bring food on the concert dates. Those food assignment sign-ups will be sent out approximately 3 weeks prior to a concert. It is important that you bring your assigned items so we can feed ALL of the students prior to the concert.

CONCERT CLOTHING

Make sure you have the appropriate concert clothing ready for the first concert on November 18:

Symphonic Strings: Girls: black dress or black blouse/skirt; sleeves to elbows, hem/slits at least to mid-calf; black hose, black dress shoes. Boys: black tuxedo or suit, black bow tie, black socks, and dress shoes.

Chamber Ensemble: Girls: black dress or black blouse/skirt; sleeves to elbows, hem/slits at least to mid-calf; black hose, black dress shoes. Boys: black tuxedo or suit, black bow tie, black socks, and dress shoes.

Crescendo Orchestra: Girls: White blouse to elbows, black skirt and/or slits below the knees, black hose or white socks and black shoes. Boys: White dress shirt and black bow tie, dress slacks, black socks and shoes.

Prelude Strings: Boys: white shirt, black pants, dress shoes/socks. Girls: white blouse, black skirt, dress shoes/socks.