

NORTHWEST INDIANA



Audition Information

Audition Dates:

May, August, October, January

Audition Application fee ~ \$25 payable to *NISO*

Auditions are held at the Center for Visual and Performing Arts (CVPA)

To schedule an audition time and download audition music, go to:

www.nisorchestra.org -> Youth Orchestra link -> New Member Audition Information

No decision will be made without Teacher Recommendation

ELIGIBILITY (Including Home Schooled Students):

- ♫ Play an orchestral instrument
- ♫ All students are expected to take private lessons
- ♫ Enrolled in a curricular school/district instrumental music program (where available)
- ♫ If no school program is available, applicant must be taking regular private lessons
- ♫ Age/Grade Requirements:
 - **String Players:** Students between 8th grade through age 21 in the 2014-15 academic year.
 - **Winds, Brass, Percussion:** Students between 9th grade through age 21 in the 2014-15 academic year.

REHEARSAL SCHEDULE: Weekly rehearsals on Sundays (3:00-5:45pm) from September through May held at the Center for Visual & Performing Arts (CVPA), 1040 Ridge Road, Munster, IN 46321.

TUITION: Tuition is \$400 per year payable at the first rehearsal (or \$250 for the spring semester only). A fundraising component is required. Applications for partial scholarships are available and are due by the third Sunday in September (applications for the spring semester only are due upon acceptance into the orchestra).

AUDITION REQUIREMENTS FOR ALL INSTRUMENTS:

- 4 minutes of contrasting material from student's repertoire (Solo or Etude).
- Scales - through 4 flats and sharps (major) with arpeggios:
 - one octave for winds and brass, two octaves for string bass.
 - two and three octaves for violin, viola and cello.
- Sight Reading.
- Excerpts for your specific instrument listed below:

STRINGS, WOODWINDS, & BRASS: Prepare orchestral excerpts posted online.

PERCUSSION: Prepare excerpts posted online for timpani, snare, mallet, and auxiliary percussion.

Required Orchestral Excerpts are posted on the Youth Orchestra Web Page

Failure to comply with any criteria above may result in dismissal from the audition.

Auditions are approximately 15 minutes in length.

Philip Bauman, Conductor ~ Emily Smith, Manager

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