



OSCEOLA COUNTY SCHOOL FOR THE ARTS

2023 / 2024  
APPLICATION  
& AUDITION  
REQUIREMENTS

## Orchestra

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Prospective Instrumental Music students should prepare the following to perform:

**(All applicants will need to bring two copies of their prepared audition materials to the audition for the judges!)**

### **INCOMING 6<sup>TH</sup> AND 7<sup>TH</sup> GRADE APPLICANTS:**

- Two contrasting pieces (one slow, one fast) on any string instrument (violin, viola, cello, bass) instrument, guitar, recorder, piano.
- As many major scales as possible.
- There will be basic sight reading, pitch matching with the voice, and rhythmic call and response as well.
- Note – Incoming 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> grade students will be given full consideration and will be selected based on their potential for success, academic background and prepared audition. These students do not need to have previous experience on an orchestra instrument. Students will be required to rent or purchase an instrument if accepted. Students who audition on piano, guitar, or recorder will be tested, pending acceptance, for an appropriate orchestra instrument to play in the OCSA Orchestra Program.

### **INCOMING 8<sup>TH</sup> GRADE APPLICANTS:**

- Two contrasting pieces (one slow, one fast) on your current orchestral instrument (Traditional repertoire from the Solo and Ensemble list, Suzuki Books, or Progressive Repertoire for the Double Bass preferred.) Students MUST audition on a string instrument (violin, viola, cello, bass): No piano, guitar, or drum set.
- 1 octave Major scales through 3 sharps and 3 flats
- Sight Reading
- Note – Incoming 8<sup>th</sup> grade students will be given full consideration pending they are at or above the level of the current members of the OCSA orchestra program.

### **INCOMING HS APPLICANTS:**

- Two contrasting pieces (one slow, one fast) on your current orchestra instrument. (Traditional repertoire from the Solo and Ensemble list, Suzuki Books, or Progressive Repertoire for the Double Bass preferred). Students MUST audition on a string instrument (violin, viola, cello, bass): No piano, guitar, or drum set.
- 2 octave Major scales through 3 sharps and 3 flats
- Sight Reading
- Note – Incoming HS students will be given full consideration pending they are at or above the level of the current members of the OCSA orchestra program.