New Jersey Music Educators Association 2018 All State Orchestra

String Audition Instructions

PLEASE READ ALL INFORMATION CAREFULLY AND COMPLETELY BEFORE BEGINNING THE ONLINE PROCESS!

DATE: Saturday, March 17, 2018 (snow date is March 24, 2018)

SITE: JP Stevens HS, 855 Grove Ave, Edison

FEE: \$20.00 per instrument

DEADLINE: Online registration closes Wednesday, February 28, 2018 at midnight

MAILING DEADLINE: Signature forms and fees must be postmarked by Wednesday, Feb. 28, 2018

ON AUDITION DAY: Registration on audition day opens at 9AM and closes at 1PM. If you have not arrived by 1PM you may not be permitted to audition. Violins assigned times after 2:00 may report up to 2:00). Assigned audition times will be emailed to your director about one week prior to the audition date. Students are expected to be prepared to audition at the assigned times. If you are not present at that time, we will assume you are absent and you may not be permitted to audition later in the day. In the event of extenuating circumstances on the day of auditions you may email the chairman (Sue Mark) at njasoauditions@gmail.com or text to 609-364-6984

You must provide a photo ID in order to register, the same as if you were taking the SAT's.

Only string students who are eligible to audition for all the All-State Orchestra may apply. Eligibility is based on your acceptance and participation in your Region HS Orchestra or as determined otherwise by the Region Executive Board. Please consult your director or Region orchestra manager if you have any questions.

ENSEMBLE SELECTION: Students in grades 9,10, and 11 are eligible for the NJ All-State Orchestra and students in grade 9 (Region 1 ONLY) may choose **either** All-State Orchestra or All-State Intermediate Orchestra. Region 1 9th graders must complete the online application corresponding to the selected ensemble. Please check the dates below carefully as the All-State Orchestra performs next fall, and the Intermediate Orchestra performs this spring. Students accepted into the All-State Orchestras will be required to pay additional fees for participation and housing. Please check your calendar carefully before selecting the application link below.

ENSEMBLE SCHEDULES:

NJ ALL-STATE HIGH SCHOOL ORCHESTRA

Sat. June 2 2PM-6:30PM Full rehearsal

Sun., Sept. 16 10AM-5:30PM Re-seating auditions and full rehearsal

Sun., Sept. 23 10AM-5:30PM Sectionals and full rehearsal

Weds, Thu, Fri - Nov. 7-9, 2018 Rehearsals at the New Jersey Education Association Convention in

Atlantic City.

Fri. Nov. 9 8:30PM Concert at NJEA Convention in Atlantic City

Sun, Nov. 18 10AM Report Rehearsal at NJPAC, Newark

3PM Concert at NJPAC, Newark

NJ ALL-STATE INTERMEDIATE ORCHESTRA

Sat. April 21 12:30-5:30PM Rehearsal

Sat., April 28 12:30-5:30PM Re-seating auditions and rehearsal

Sat., May 5 12:30-5:30PM Rehearsal

Sat., May 12 10:30AM Dress Rehearsal

3:00PM Concert

AUDITION REQUIREMENTS consist of Scales, Solo and Sight Reading

Visit the state website at www.NJMEA.org for detailed information on scales and solo lists.

- 1. Scales are to be memorized; four clicks of a metronome will be given for each scale, which is the specific required tempo. Students will be asked to play three scales, one of each type from the required list.
- 2. Solo New solo requirements now list a specific publisher. Cadenzas are not required. All students will be asked to play the same section(s) of the solo piece. If a student chooses to use another publisher/edition, the student will not be excluded from the audition, but will be judged on notes and rhythms of the required edition.
- 3. Sight-reading Sight-reading will be on material not previously reviewed by the student. All students will be asked to play the same section(s) of the sight-reading material.

Only original sheet music of the solos is permitted in the audition rooms and *students must use their own original*. If using a downloaded copy, a tag line must be present listing the vendor's name. A room copy will be on a music stand in the audition room but this is for moderator reference only. Student <u>must</u> use their own music. One will not be provided in the audition room.

ATTENDANCE POLICY:

All-State Orchestra members are expected to attend all rehearsals listed. A one-day absence for ASO from these rehearsals may be excused with permission of the manager *in advance* of the rehearsal, unless that is clearly impossible. An absence is defined as missing any part of a scheduled rehearsal. All activities scheduled for your ensemble must be attended as scheduled. There are no exceptions to this rule.

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS:

All NJMEA All-State Orchestra applications must be completed online by using the link provided below. You must complete a separate online application and submit the corresponding signature page and fee for each instrument on which you are auditioning. The online submission deadline and the postmark deadline for signature forms is Wednesday, Feb. 28th.

- 1. Complete all fields completely and accurately, as this information will also be used for the concert program.
- 2. Once you have completed and submitted your online application, you will be directed to a signature page. **YOU MUST PRINT THIS PAGE**, as it contains endorsements needed to complete your application. Once printed, you and a parent/guardian must sign and date where indicated, then you must submit the entire form to your director along with your \$20.00 application fee. Your director will secure the remaining signatures and mail all signature forms from your school to the audition chair. DO NOT send forms or payment on your own—it MUST come from your director.
- 3. You will also receive an automated e-mail confirmation that your application has been received. If you were unable to print your signature form at the time of application you may use the link enclosed in your confirmation email to access another form.

For questions, please have your director contact Sue Mark, Orchestra Auditions Chair at njasoauditions@gmail.com.

CLICK THE LINK BELOW TO BEGIN YOUR ALL-STATE ORCHESTRA APPLICATION:

ALL-STATE SENIOR HIGH ORCHESTRA Link:

https://form.jotform.com/51944189032154