

2023-2024 All-County Orchestra Audition Requirements

Auditions: Tuesday, October 10, 2023 starting at 4:45PM
The Academy at Lincoln, Dr. Christen Blanton, Host

Clinic: Wednesday, November 15, 2023
Thursday, November 16, 2023
Grimsley HS, Britany Green-Stimpson, Host

Concert: Thursday, November 16, 2023
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Middle School Requirements

Scale & Arpeggio: C Major, 2 octaves. Play as sixteenth notes, quarter note = 50 MM

Violin, Viola, Cello: Scale: slur 4 notes per bow. Arpeggio: slur 3 notes per bow

Bass: Scale: slur 2 notes per bow. Arpeggio: separate bows

Solo (all instruments): Mozart: *Allegro* – from Solo Time for Strings Book 4. Play from measure 9 to 37.

High School Requirements

All Scales/Arpeggios: Play as sixteenth notes, quarter note = 50 MM

Violin, Viola, Cello: Scale: slur 4 notes per bow, arpeggio: slur 3 notes per bow

Bass: scale: slur 4 notes per bow (This is an NCMEA change), arpeggio: separate bows

Violin: A Major – 3 octave scale and arpeggio

Solo: Seitz: Student Concerto, No. 4

Excerpt for GCS ACO: First movement, pickup to 63 to downbeat of measure 76.

Viola: D Major – 3 octave scale and arpeggio

Solo: Stamitz (International Edition): Concerto in D Major, opus 1, third movement

Excerpt for GCS ACO: Beat 2 of m. 8 to downbeat of 30.

Cello: C Major Scale – 3 octave scale and arpeggio

Solo: Cello Suite No. 3 – Unaccompanied by J.S. Bach

Excerpt for GCS ACO: Bourrée I: Beginning of the second repeat to the third beat of m. 20. Bourrée II: Beginning to the first repeat.

Bass: G Major – 2 octave scale and arpeggio

Solo: Sonata No. 2, 2nd mvmt. from Six Sonatas for cello or double bass and piano by Benedetto Marcello.

Excerpt for GCS ACO: 2nd movement: Measure 1 to the first repeat.

*The above listed solo repertoire excerpts are taken from our NC Western Region Solo Repertoire for 2023-2024.

*The above listed scales are taken from our NC Western Region Scale/Arpeggio list

***Students at ECG, Early College at Guilford, are not eligible to audition for ACO. Only students registered in a GCS Orchestra/Band program at their school. If there is no program, they cannot audition.