



2014 All-State Junior High Honor Orchestra

7th and 8th grade musicians in Vivace and Chamber Strings have the opportunity to audition for the California All-State Junior High Honor Orchestra. This is a prestigious honor for many students, and one for which hundreds and thousands of students apply every year. The event occurs at the California All-State Music Education Conference in Fresno, February 19-22 (during our February recess).

The CODA (California Orchestra Director's Association) website –CODAorchestras.org – will be updated with more online forms and information including audition scales and excerpts, but here is some information to help get you started.

We cannot help you with the preparation of your application materials and recordings, so please make sure that you give yourself plenty of time to prepare steps 1-6 by the deadline. Having a private teacher, as always, is highly recommended to both prepare and assist you in this process.

Results will be emailed to students, directors, and posted on CODAorchestras.org in early January. At the first rehearsal, ALL students will complete a live audition for chair placement. To help you budget, festival participation and housing fees are expected to be around \$350.

Good luck!

Deadline for submission of materials to Mr. Jow: Friday, November 14

Scales, Solo material and more may be found at
http://www.codaorchestras.org/CODA/Junior_High_All-State_Orchestra.html

1. Record your audition onto an audio CD **without any verbal announcements or reverberation/any digital alteration**. Please make sure that it will play on a standard CD player.

2. Audition music and required scales are available on the website (codaorchestras.org).
3. Each audition recording must have the following, IN THIS EXACT ORDER:
 - a. Scales
 - b. Excerpts in the same order listed on the excerpt pageNot following exact recording instructions will disqualify your recording.
4. **LISTEN TO ENTIRE RECORDING.** Make sure that everything is recorded and audible in the correct order.
5. Label each recording with your NAME, INSTRUMENT and SCHOOL on the CD, not on the case. Recordings will NOT be returned or acknowledged by mail. Place in a paper disc sleeve.
6. Submit your CD and printout of application form to Mr. Jow along with a non-refundable check (**written to CODA**) for \$45 to cover your application fee. All materials must be given to Mr. Jow by Friday, November 15. **No exceptions!**