

Greetings SCMKEA Orchestra Directors!

Auditions for this years' Kansas Music Educators Association South Central District Festival Orchestra will be held on Saturday, November 6th at Andover Central High School. Auditions will begin at 8:00am and will continue until all auditions have been heard. Auditions are open for students, grades 9-12 from participating High Schools. The deadline for audition entries is Friday, October 8th. All entries are submitted online, if you have questions please feel free to contact me for help.

This clinician for the orchestra is Mr. Douglas Droste from Oklahoma State University. Mr. Droste has a strong reputation and background in working with high school students. I look forward to seeing him work with all of our wonderful students.

Audition Process:

Students will be assigned a specific audition time and number. There is to be no swapping of audition times. All attempts will be made to work around Youth Symphony and ACT testing. If your student must audition early keep the assigned time and number, as they will be used for tabulation purposes. Each student will check in at his or her assigned room with the door monitor. There will be no check in table. The judges will wait an appropriate amount of time for "no shows" at each room. If you have specific questions or concerns please feel free to contact me. Please identify in your audition submissions time conflicts. This is the only I can work around these issues. Judges will tabulate the scores and the results will be posted at the day of auditions. All auditions will be blind.

Audition Excerpts: printable PDF versions can be found at:

<http://www.ksmea.org/hsorch/excerpts11.php>

New this year is the addition of sight-reading! Each room will have a small sight-reading example to be performed by each student.

District Audition Excerpts: all taken directly from the State KMEA excerpt. Observe all tempo markings and articulations carefully!

Violin:

1. 3 – octave D major scale
2. Excerpts #3 and #4

Viola:

1. 3 – octave F major scale
2. Excerpt #3 and #5

Cello:

1. 3 – octave A major scale

2. Excerpt #3 (A and C) read directions carefully! Excerpt #4

Bass:

- 1. 2 – octave D major scale**
- 2. Excerpts #3 and #4**

If you have any questions please feel free to contact me. Good luck and have a great year!

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