

Clarksville Youth String Orchestra

Eleganza Division (returning students)

CELLO

You must be prepared to play all of the specified requirements when auditioning. Please understand that the audition committee may choose to omit some items during the actual audition.

The audition committee will select from the following:

1. Scales and arpeggios will be chosen by the committee from the following MAJOR keys: C, G, D, F, and Eb. All scales are to be performed with arpeggios (see String Orchestra Scale and Arpeggio sheet). The keys of G, D, F, and Eb must be performed as two octaves. C must be performed as three octaves. All scales and arpeggios are to be performed in even eighth notes using separate bows at a tempo of MM quarter note = 60. Strive for accurate intonation and steady tempo.
 2. Provided excerpts. Please take the time to study these excerpts carefully. Style, character, and musicianship will be as important as intonation, tempo, and technique. The metronome markings serve as a guideline.
 3. A short sight reading exercise(s) to demonstrate the student's reading ability. The student will have thirty seconds to study the piece before playing it. Students may prepare for this part of the audition by practicing sight reading skills during their daily practice routine.
- Student must be able to read and accurately play notes in first and third position for all four strings.

No. 1 ♩ = 84

Etude must be performed using the provided fingerings and positions.

The image shows two staves of musical notation for a cello etude. The top staff is in bass clef with a common time signature (C). It contains a sequence of eighth notes with fingerings (I, II, III, IV) and positions (I, II, III, IV) indicated above the notes. The bottom staff is also in bass clef and contains a sequence of eighth notes with fingerings (I, II, III, IV) and positions (I, II, III, IV) indicated above the notes. The notation includes various fingering and position markings for each note.

No. 2 Title: Carpe Diem! - Meyer

♩ = 120

mf

V

V -1 2 4

-4 V

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No. 3 Title: Carpe Diem! - Meyer

♩ = 120

f

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