

*Harford Youth Orchestra*  
*Harford String Orchestra*  
The Youth Orchestras of Harford Community College  
*"Bringing a World of Music Closer to Home"*

Dear Parents and Teachers

The Harford Youth Orchestra and Harford String Orchestra will be having auditions twice a year for students interested in joining either HYO or HSO.

Students auditioning for the **Harford String Orchestra** (grades 5,6,7,8) should bring a prepared piece to play and will be asked to play scales, D,G,C,F,A. Violins and Violas should be able to use low 2's, high 3's, and low 1's. Cellos should know extensions and have minimal position knowledge. Basses should play in 1/2, 2nd and 3rd position.

Students auditioning for the **Harford Youth Orchestra** should also bring a prepared piece to play and will be asked to play scales, D,A,Bb,Eb,F. The HYO is looking for new members in all sections; strings, woodwinds, brass, and percussion.

All are welcome to audition.

Feel free to contact either;

Ms. Wesley Thompson (HSO) [opusoddity@gmail.com](mailto:opusoddity@gmail.com)  
Brian Folus (HYO) at [brian.folus@hcps.org](mailto:brian.folus@hcps.org) w/ any questions.  
Thanks for your support of this valuable program.

Ms. Wesley Thompson  
Conductor Harford String Orchestra  
Brian Folus  
Conductor, Harford Youth Orchestra

Please visit our web-site  
<http://www.harfordyouthorchestra.org>  
Please send all audition applications to  
Mr. Brian Folus  
C/O Harford Community College  
Joppa Hall  
401 Thomas Run Rd.  
Bel Air, MD. 21015

**Audition Location:** Joppa Hall Music Wing, Harford Community College.

Upon receipt of your application the Orchestra Management will schedule your audition.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_ email \_\_\_\_\_

Instrument: \_\_\_\_\_ School Attending: \_\_\_\_\_

Present Grade: \_\_\_\_\_ Do you study privately? \_\_\_\_\_

Name of private teacher \_\_\_\_\_

**I certify that the above applicant is enrolled in the Band and/or Orchestra program.**

**Furthermore the applicant has shown sufficient preparation for this audition.**

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**School Instrumental Music Teacher's Signature**  
**Home Schooled Students- Private Teacher's Signature**

The Purpose of the Harford Youth Orchestra is to provide an extension experience for string, wind, and percussion students. The orchestra will serve youth in the northeast section of Maryland and neighboring portions of Pennsylvania and Delaware. Orchestral experiences will be designed for serious students ages 11 through 18 or grade sixth through twelve. Activities will focus on developing skills leading to public performance as a culminating event. **Membership is contingent upon enrollment in the prospective member's school band or orchestra program, if offered, and the completion of a successful audition.**