

JH Concert Orchestra Audition Excerpts

Concert Orchestra

This group is intended for students who have started their third year* of playing or more. Students must be in middle school or junior high school. Students in the 10th grade or above may not audition for the Concert Orchestra.

**Middle school and junior high school students who have not yet reached their 3rd year of playing are allowed to audition for the Concert Orchestra. However, a student may not audition for both the Cadet Orchestra and the Concert Orchestra in the same year.*

Material for all even years (2026, 2028, etc.):

All for Strings, Book 3 (Gerald Anderson - Neil A. Kjos Music Company)

- #58 *Farandole* (quarter note = 110)
- #136 *English Folk Song* (quarter note = 108)
- #140 *Simple Gifts* (quarter note = 84)

Material for all ODD years (2027, 2029, etc.):

All for Strings, Book 3 (Gerald Anderson, Neil A. Kjos Music Company)

- #37 *Scheherazade* (dotted quarter note = 52)
 - In the bass part to Scheherazade, students must play the higher octave notes when two notes are present.
- #134 *Hatikvah* (quarter note = 96)
- #126 *March* (quarter note = 126)
 - In the viola part to March, students must play the higher octave cue notes.
 - In the cello part to March, students must play the higher octave notes when two notes are present.
 - In the cello part to March, there is one misprint. In measure 16, the 2nd note of the measure (G) should not have a zero printed above it.

All printed fingerings are required, as two of each three excerpts are shifting exercises.

All printed bowings are required.

Concert Orchestra students will perform 2 excerpts and 1 scale.

Concert Orchestra Scales (see scale sheets for details)

All scales are 2-octave scales. Minor scales are melodic minor scales.

All strings: C Major, G Major, D Major, A Major, F Major, Bb Major, Eb major, A minor, D Minor (Bass scales may use drop-downs)

The Concert Orchestra audition WILL include sight-reading.