

Lee's Summit Symphony Orchestra

Guidelines for the Young Artist Music Competition

Mission

The Lee's Summit Symphony Orchestra is committed to encouraging young musicians in their pursuit of excellence. In keeping with that commitment, the Lee's Summit Symphony Orchestra will hold an annual competition for advanced high school music students. The goal of this competition is to give the winner a positive musical experience as a soloist with the Lee's Summit Symphony Orchestra.

Eligibility

The participant must be in 9th, 10th, 11th, or 12th grade at the time of his/her audition and reside within the Lee's Summit R-7 School district boundaries and/or the city limits of Lee's Summit. The participant must audition on one of the following instruments: violin, viola, cello, bass, harp, flute, oboe, clarinet, bassoon, saxophone, horn, trumpet, trombone, tuba, or percussion.

Music

The participant must audition on the musical selection they intend to perform with the orchestra and must have an orchestra accompaniment that is available for purchase or rental in the United States. Music on the District Solo & Ensemble list will often work, provided there is an orchestral accompaniment. You can also check the following online resources: Luck's Music Library, Kalmus, Boosey & Hawkes, G. Schirmer, and European American Music. A movement from a published concerto is highly recommended. The conductor of the Lee's Summit Symphony Orchestra must approve the repertoire before the audition. To accomplish this, the participant must return the audition form by the deadline. If the selection is inappropriate, the participant will be notified before the audition. The selection should not exceed 10 minutes. The conductor of the Lee's Summit Symphony reserves the right to suggest repertoire as needed.

Audition

Participants will be notified of audition times via email. All auditions will be live and with piano accompaniment (accompanist NOT provided). Performances should be memorized. All participants should dress appropriately. Auditions will be held on **February 25, 2012 in the instrumental music room at Lee's Summit High School, from 9:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m.** The judge or judges will consist of professional musicians and/or educators engaged by the Lee's Summit Symphony Orchestra. There will be a \$20.00 audition fee. **The audition form must be postmarked by January 31, 2012.**

Notification and Expectations

Participants will be notified of the competition results by mail or e-mail. The participant with the highest score will be selected as the winner of this competition and will perform as a soloist with the Lee's Summit Symphony Orchestra's Family Concert **on May 5, 2012**. The winner will be notified of the Lee's Summit Symphony Orchestra's rehearsal and performance schedule as soon as possible. The winner must be available for the performance and for all rehearsals related to that performance. No winner will be chosen if the judge or judges deem the musical level unacceptable.

Award

A representative of the Lee's Summit Symphony Orchestra will present the award in recognition of the winner's accomplishment at the performance.