



April 17, 2010

Dear Future Cougar Orchestra Member,

I am thrilled that you chose to be a part of the Oakton High School Orchestra program! We have many exciting adventures awaiting us next year including a trip to either New York or Orlando.

In preparation for next year, I am holding placement auditions in the orchestra room (165) as follows:

Tuesday, May 11, 2010 – 5:00 – 8:00 PM

Wednesday, May 12, 2010 – 5:00 – 8:00 PM

Use entrance # 6 in the back of the school. Turn right at the first hallway and take your first right into the music suite. I would like to ask that a parent accompany your student to the audition to fill out a student information form.

The purpose of the audition is to evaluate your current playing ability and match you to the correct level of orchestra. The audition will be brief. Do the best that you can do. Be prepared to play the following:

Scales: C, G, D, F and Bb – as many octaves as you can play well.

Prepared selection: A piece that demonstrates your most advanced level of playing.

Sight-Reading: May be possible for some students to determine correct orchestra placement.

Please e-mail or call me with a date and range of time that you could come. (Ex. I can come on Tuesday, May 11 between 5-7 PM) I would like to have this information as soon as possible, and before Wednesday, May 5, 2010. I will then call or e-mail you a confirmed audition time.

Lastly, I would like to invite you to the Oakton Orchestra Spring Concert on Tuesday, June 8, at 7:00 PM in the auditorium. Here you will get a glimpse into the awesome musical year we have in store for you! Please contact me if you have any questions about auditions for the Oakton Orchestra program. I look forward to hearing you play.

Musically,

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