

SEMAYO Summer 2026

String Requirements

Beginner Strings

Scales - 1 octave D major scale in quarter or half notes - optional - Violin/Viola: 1 octave G major scale starting on the D string - optional - Cello/Bass: 1 octave C major scale starting on the G string (cello) / A string (Bass)	Piece 1 song/piece of your choice OR Your assigned part from school OR Suzuki Book 1 piece
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Intermediate Strings

Scales - Violin/Viola/Cello: 2 octave D and G major scale - Bass: 2 octave G Major scale	Piece A 2-minute excerpt of a piece OR Suzuki Book 2 or 3 piece OR Jr. District / Jr. All State piece
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Full Orchestra - Advanced Strings

Scales - Violin/Viola/Cello: two different 3 octave scales of your choice - Bass: 2 octave F major scale and 2 octave E or D melodic minor scale	Piece 2 pieces of contrasting tempos, one fast, one slow OR Suzuki Book 4+ OR Sr. District / Sr. All State piece
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Brass/Winds/Percussion Requirements

Wind Ensemble A 2-minute excerpt of a piece or movement you are working on or have completed Your choice of two of the following scales C, G, D, A, F, Bb, Eb scale (1 octave in 8th notes, slurred while ascending and articulated when descending)	Full Orchestra - Winds Two contrasting excerpts (one lyrical, one technical). Each excerpt should showcase your technique, tone quality, articulation, dynamic range, and musical expression Two of the following scales (2 octave) C, G, D, A, F, Bb, Eb scale (8th notes slurred while ascending and articulated when descending)
Percussion Students auditioning on percussion for the Wind Ensemble must audition on snare drum.	Full Orchestra - Percussion Students auditioning on percussion for the Full Orchestra can choose to audition on mallets or snare drum.
Percussion (Snare Drum) A 2-minute excerpt of a piece or movement you are working on or have completed Long roll (ff > pp < ff), 5 & 9 stroke rolls, single and double	Full Orchestra - Mallet Percussion A 2-minute excerpt of a piece or movement you are working on or have completed and two of the following scales C, G, D, F, Bb, Eb (1 octave in 8th notes)
	Full Orchestra - Snare Drum A 2-minute excerpt of a piece or movement you are working on or have completed Long roll (ff > pp < ff), 5 & 9 stroke rolls, single and double

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