

March, 2020

Dear Franklin Orchestra Campers and Parents/Guardians:

On behalf of the orchestra camp faculty and staff, I am pleased that you will be joining us this summer. I look forward to seeing all returning campers and meeting new campers.

In order to make certain that each camper is placed in a level-appropriate orchestra, the first day of camp (June 17) will be devoted entirely to auditions. (Beginners will not audition on June 17, but will begin instruction and must have their instruments with them!)

Here is how the auditions will work: The audition excerpts are on our camp website: www.franklinbandcamp.com. There are four excerpts each for violin, viola, cello, and bass. Print out a copy of the excerpts for your instrument. Between now and the first day of camp, practice each of the excerpts in numerical order. The excerpts are organized such that Green is the least difficult and Blue is the most difficult. I realize that not all campers will be able to prepare all of the excerpts due to the length of time that you have played and your level of playing, but I hope that you will practice as many of the excerpts as you are able to, to the best of your ability. During the brief audition, each camper will be asked to play the excerpts beginning with Green through the level of difficulty with which you are most comfortable.

After you have completed your audition on the first day, you are free to go home. Activities will be provided for those students that need to remain at camp the first day until 12:30 PM.

Once all campers have auditioned, the camp faculty will place campers in the appropriate orchestra based on their audition. Any students that are not able to attend camp the first day or two will be auditioned upon arrival.

Should you have any questions between now and the start of camp, please do not hesitate to contact me at crcrumb@aol.com. On behalf of the orchestra camp faculty and staff, we are looking forward to making music with you this summer.

Happy practicing!

Sincerely,



Ms. Cindy Crumb,
Franklin Orchestra Camp Director