



CONSERVATORY PLACEMENT ACTIVITY GUIDELINES

INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC CONSERVATORY STRINGS & ORCHESTRA PROGRAM Digital Placement Activity

Strings & Orchestra Program (Grades 6-12)

All CSArts-SGV applicants should include one (1) **Personal Statement** when submitting their online application.

Personal Statement

(minimum of 300 words)

An essay describing why they are passionate about attending an art-focused program.

Placement Activity Guidelines:

In-Person Placement Activities have concluded. **At the time of submitting their application, all Instrumental Music Conservatory applicants must upload a YouTube Video.**

All instrumentalists should film themselves playing the following:

1. **Scales** - Students should play all twelve major scales and perform one or two of them in as many octaves as they are capable of.
2. **Solo Performance** - Demonstrate two distinct styles of solo playing:
 - Lyrical, melodic, and slow.
 - Fast and more technical.

The solo selections are to be chosen by the student. The two different styles can be two separate pieces or two contrasting movements from the same work. Repertoire chosen for the Placement Activity should not be a folk song, Broadway show tune, or pop tune, and should be drawn from the traditional repertoire (i.e. Bach, Mozart, Beethoven, Brahms, Stravinsky, etc.).

Video Submission Guidelines

- At the beginning of your video, please slate by clearly stating your name and the grade you are applying to.
- Your YouTube video should have no disruptive background noise, good lighting, and framing that shows $\frac{3}{4}$ of the student's body. There is no need for graphics or fancy editing.



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- To protect your privacy, the YouTube video should be saved as “**Unlisted**” so it cannot be publicly viewed.
- Copy and paste your YouTube video URL (web address) into the body of an email and send the email to: janet.infiesto@sgv.csarts.net Please be sure to include the student’s full name in the subject line of the email.

Students may not select this conservatory for enrollment if they do not demonstrate the minimum proficiency in this Placement Activity, therefore it is strongly recommended that they also complete a Placement Activity for one other conservatory.

Applicants who are English language learners, have a disability, or need technology assistance are encouraged to reach out for support with the admissions process. Please contact admissions@sgv.csarts.net or 714.560.0900 ext. 5510 for more information.

Hay asistencia disponible para los solicitantes aprendiendo inglés, que tienen una discapacidad, o los que necesitan asistencia tecnológica. Favor de ponerse contacto con nosotros por correo electrónico admissions@sgv.csarts.net o por llamar 714.560.0900 ext. 5510 para más información.

Applicants requesting accommodations must have established eligibility under IDEA, Section 504 or an established Academic Support Plan (private schools only). The documentation must be provided at the time of application submission. Confidential documents must be sent directly to Sean Kerr, Assistant Principal, at sean.kerr@sgv.csarts.net

Accommodations must be requested 15 days in advance of placement activities for planning purposes.