

Memphis Youth Symphony Audition Requirements for: String Orchestra - Viola

1. Scales (must be memorized):

- Intonation and tempo are very important. Practice with a metronome. The suggested minimum metronome speed is quarter note = 120 beats per minute. All scales must be performed at least 2 octaves.
 - Viola Major Scales: C, G, D, A, F, Bb, Eb, Ab, E

2. Music of your choice:

- Solo piece, etude or exercise no longer than 2 minutes. It does not need to be memorized. Accompaniment not permitted.

3. Orchestral Excerpts:

- Copies of excerpts included in the following pages of this document
 - Tchaikovsky Serenade for Strings, mvt 1: m91 - 118 (time signature 6/8, tempo = 66 dotted quarter note)
 - Tchaikovsky Serenade for Strings, mvt 4: m233 - 271 (time signature 2/4, tempo = 130 quarter note)

4. Sight Reading:

- Disclosed at the time of the audition.

2

Viola

82 *f* *fff*

88 *p* **D**

94 *p*

99 *pp* *pp*

104 *poco cresc.* **E**

110 *p* *piu f* *cresc.* *mf*

117 *pizz.* *arco* *f* **F** *pizz.* *ff*

125 *arco* *ff*

132 *sempre ff* **G**

139 *div. pizz.* *p* *pizz.* *cresc. poco a poco* *unis. arco*

145 *ff*

152 *f* **H**

160 *cresc.*

168 *ff* *p* *cresc. al*

Viola

205 *mf* *sempre cresc.*

217 *cresc.* *ff*

228 *ff*

237 *Viol. I* *sempre ff*

245 *Vello.* *Vello.*

251

256 *H* *sempre ff*

263 *ff* *marcato*

272 *I* *ff*

280 *pizz. 1* *ff* *f*

289 *mf* *K* *arco* *mf*

300 *pizz.* *f*

314 *arco* *f*