**Audition FAQ’s**

1. **When are auditions held?**

Auditions are held on various dates throughout May and June. Every student interested in participating in the Fort Wayne Philharmonic Youth Orchestra program must audition. Current Youth Orchestra students must re-audition each year. Spring auditions are the primary audition for the Youth Orchestra program. While we do have limited auditions in the fall and throughout the season, these are for vacant positions only. Therefore, we strongly encourage all students to sign-up early and audition in the spring.

1. **Where are auditions held?**

Auditions are held in Ginsberg Hall, rehearsal room 128, located at 4901 Fuller Drive, Fort Wayne, IN 46835.

1. **How do I schedule an audition?**

To secure an audition time, please send in the application form with a $25 non-refundable per family audition fee. Checks are to be made payable to the Fort Wayne Philharmonic. Your audition date/time will be confirmed via email. For additional questions, please contact the Youth Orchestra Manager, Joseph Kalisman, at (260) 481-0757 or [jkalisman@fwphil.org](mailto:jkalisman@fwphil.org).

1. **How do I get to Ginsberg Hall?**

Ginsberg Hall is located on the North Ivy Tech Campus, directly across from the IPFW campus and St. Joe Road. From St. Joe Road, turn onto Dean Drive (towards the Northeast Indiana Innovation Center and Ivy Tech campus). Take the first left onto Fuller Drive. Ginsberg Hall is located at the end of the street.

1. **Are there warm-up rooms available once I arrive at the audition?**

Yes, we have three warm-up rooms available for musicians to use prior to their audition time.

1. **When should I arrive?**

We suggest musicians arrive at least 20 minutes before your scheduled audition time, in order to unpack equipment and warm-up.

1. **Should I memorize the music?**

Memorization is not required.

1. **How long is the audition?**

Each audition lasts approximately 10 minutes.

1. **What should I wear?**

Wear clothing that is comfortable for you to perform in.

1. **When will I find out if I have been accepted?**

All students will be notified, regardless of outcome, via email after the final audition day.

1. **When and where are rehearsals held?**

Rehearsals for both the Youth Symphony Orchestra and Youth Concert Orchestra are held on Sunday afternoons in the Instrumental Rehearsal Room (#120) of the Rhinehart Music Center on the IPFW campus. Youth Symphony members rehearse from 2—4 p.m. Youth Concert Orchestra members rehearse from 4:30 – 6:30 p.m. Parking is most closely available in Parking Garage 3.

1. **Who do I contact if I have questions?**

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