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## 6 Walton Orchestra Classes: There's a place for everyone!

### 3 Audition-level Orchestras

Chamber Orchestra; Mastery Orchestra (grade VI repertoire)  
Philharmonia; Advanced Orchestra (grade V repertoire)  
Sinfonia; Intermediate Orchestra (grade IV repertoire)

### 3 On-Level Orchestras

Dorian, Aeolian, Locrian (Beginning/Intermediate Instrumental Ensemble): (grade II/III repertoire)

### Why continue in orchestra?

- It's fun making music!
- Enjoyable break in the day.
- Fulfills fine arts credit that many colleges require
- One way to fulfill graduation requirements
- Many students decide that they want to come back later, and it's harder to come back after missing instruction
- Pink cord for graduation for being in for all 7 years!
- Diploma Seal for graduation for being in for all 7 years!
- It's a community within Walton
- Students say there's little to no homework for orchestra than other possible classes
  - Meet new people!
  - Class with your friends.

### How does registration happen?

In early February, your middle school orchestra teacher will have you complete a form, and you will select one of three options:

1. On-level Orchestra (no audition required)
2. Audition-level Orchestra (audition required; see below)
3. New elective choice

### Auditions 2025-2026

Due by 4PM on Tuesday, March 18th on Teams

**Sinfonia:** play Sinfonia scale & Sinfonia Excerpt

**Philharmonia:** play Sinfonia scale, Sinfonia excerpt, Philharmonia scale, & Philharmonia excerpt; theory assessment

**Chamber Orchestra:** play Sinfonia scale, Sinfonia excerpt, Philharmonia scale, Philharmonia excerpt, Chamber scale, & Chamber excerpt; theory assessment. **Please note, Chamber Orchestra has required Monday night rehearsals from 6:30-8PM.**

### **Spring Semester Timeline for Orchestra Registration**

- Now: Sinfonia excerpts available online
- February 12th: Deadline to register for orchestra
- Mid-February: Philharmonia level excerpts available
- End of February: Chamber level excerpts available
- March 14<sup>th</sup>: Theory Assessment e-mailed for those auditioning for Philharmonia & Chamber Orchestra
- March 18th at 4PM: Auditions due online
- March 31<sup>st</sup>: Walton Waiver & 0 Period Registration Deadline
- After Spring Break: audition results live on orchestra

### **Sample Freshmen Schedules of Current Orchestra Students**

#### **ISA**

ISA 9<sup>th</sup> Lit  
Enhanced Geometry/Advanced Algebra  
Honor Biology  
AP Human Geography  
ISA Spanish 2  
Philharmonia Orchestra

#### **Athlete with Weight Training**

9<sup>th</sup> Lit  
Algebra  
Biology  
French 1  
Weight Training  
On-Level Orchestra (Locrian)

#### **STEM**

Honors 9<sup>th</sup> Lit  
Enhanced Geometry/Advanced Algebra  
AP Environmental Science  
AP Human Geography  
Honors Chinese  
Chamber Orchestra

#### **Normal**

Honors 9<sup>th</sup> Lit  
Enhanced Geometry/Advanced Algebra  
Honors Biology  
Latin 2  
Introduction to Engineering  
Sinfonia Orchestra

#### **Extra Class Opportunities**

- 6 slots in the traditional Walton school day
- 0 period: Monday-Thursday 7:10AM
- Summer School
- Cobb or Georgia Virtual
- Dual Enrollment