



Quincy Area Youth Orchestra
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2025-2026 Season Schedule

(time/day changes marked with *) As of 1/6/2026

Day	Date	Time/info	Location
1 October Audition videos due			
Sunday	19-Oct	3:00-5:00	QND
Sunday	26-Oct	3:00-5:00	QND
Sunday	2-Nov	<i>No rehearsal</i>	QND
Sunday	9-Nov	<i>No rehearsal</i>	QND
Sunday	16-Nov	3:00-5:00	QND
Sunday	23-Nov	3:00-5:00	QND
*Sunday	30-Nov	1:00-2:30	QND
Sunday	7-Dec	3:00-5:00	QND
Sunday	14-Dec	3:00-5:00	QND
Sunday	21-Dec	3:00-5:00	QND
Sunday	4-Jan	3:00-5:00	QND
Sunday	11-Jan	3:00-4:00 woodwinds only 4:00-5:00 strings only No rehearsal for brass & perc.	QND
Sunday	18-Jan	3:00-5:00	QND
Sunday	25-Jan	3:00-5:00	QND
Sunday	1-Feb	3:00-5:00	QND
* Friday-Saturday	6-7 February	QAYO and QSO side by side rehearsal (7pm) and concert (2:30pm)	QJHS Morrison Theater, <i>14th & Maine St</i>
Sunday	8-Feb	<i>Rehearsal at WIU</i>	Western Illinois University
Sunday	15-Feb	3:00-5:00	QND
*Saturday	21-Feb	CANCELLED	QND
*Sunday	1-Mar	4:00-5:30	QND
Sunday	8-Mar	3:00-5:00	QND
Sunday	15-Mar	<i>4:30 - Rehearsal</i> <i>6:00 - Pizza</i> <i>7:00 - Performance</i> <i>(QAYO Concert dress)</i>	Baldwin Elementary School

“Practice only on the days you eat.”

Rehearsal attendance

It is necessary that you attend all rehearsals. Should you need to miss, the next best thing is to try to come for part of the rehearsal. There is a maximum of 3 rehearsals that one can miss per season. More than three absences will require special arrangements with your conductor. If you are unable to attend a rehearsal, you must contact Dr. Cangro – RM-Cangro@wiu.edu.

Before rehearsal

Try to listen to the repertoire for the orchestra. Get the music in your ear. Learn the style, phrasing, form, and overall sound of each piece. Having the aural concept will help you be a better musician and a valuable contributor to our orchestra. Use Youtube – it is a fabulous resource!

***“The rehearsal is a place to do the things together that you can’t do alone.
(You can learn your part alone.)”***

Come to rehearsal prepared

- *with instrument and necessities*
- *with music*
- *with a pencil*
- *early to warm-up*
- *ready to make great music!*

***“You don’t come to rehearsal to learn your part,
but rather to learn everybody else’s part.”***

Locations

Most all rehearsals at Quincy Notre Dame High School Band Rehearsal Room.

- QND = Quincy Notre Dame High School - 1400 S. 11th St., Quincy, IL 62301
- QJHS = Quincy Junior High School – 100 S 14th St, Quincy, IL 62301
- Baldwin Elementary School – 3000 Main Street, Quincy, IL 62301

Concert dress:

- QSO side-by-side concert – white top/black bottom

- QAYO concert - **All Black**
 - Ladies: *black pants and top or long black skirt, black socks/hose, black dress shoes.*
 - Gentlemen: *black shirt and pants, black socks, black dress shoes, long tie*