

Congratulations Parents & Students.

Your student has been nominated by their string teacher to apply for the North Carolina American String Teachers Association All-State String Orchestra Festival & Clinic.

- The NC-ASTA All-State String Orchestra Festival & Clinic is a 1-day string festival open to North Carolina's most outstanding string students in Grades 5-12. The clinic will include rehearsals with an experienced conductor, sectionals with professional musicians, NC-ASTA Clinic T-Shirt, and a concert free and open to the public. This year's clinic will take place at Northwest Guilford High School in Greensboro, NC on **Saturday, October 4, 2025**. Cost: A fee of **\$75.00** per student will be paid to your teacher after your acceptance. This fee includes a clinic T-shirt, lunch on the day of the event, and the cost of sponsoring the event.
- Application Deadline and Notification: Your teacher's deadline for completing the online application is: **Wednesday, September 17, 2025**. Your teacher will receive notice of your selection by **Wednesday, September 24, 2025**. Details of the application audition requirements will be found on the next page.

Thank you for your interest in our NC-ASTA All-State String Festival & Clinic! This year's event promises to be an unforgettable experience!

APPLICATION DEADLINES: All applications are due: Wednesday, September 17, 2025.

- The application committee will be responsible for participant selection based on:
 - Student Application, Recorded Excerpts, Teacher Recommendations, and the Maximum Size of the Orchestra.

ATTENDANCE: Students are required to be in attendance for the entire event. Students who are selected for a chair and do not participate will be barred from participation for the next year.

VIDEO AUDITION FORMAT: Create (1) unedited continuous video that will be attached to the Student Application Form. (Please do not edit this video.)

Video Format:

1. Student will state Full Name, Grade, and Sponsoring Teacher.
2. Student will Perform Required Major Scale
3. Student will Perform Required Minor Scale
4. Student will State the Title and Composer of their chosen Solo Piece
5. Student will Perform Required Solo Excerpt
6. Save the file name as: ncasta25(students full name) – Example: ncasta25johnsmith

VIDEO AUDITION REQUIREMENTS:

1. Major Scale: Perform from memory. The tonic may be repeated in each octave. Perform scales as sixteenth notes at a minimum tempo of quarter note = 50. **Violin, Viola, and Cello students who audition with a 2 octave scale will *only* be considered for the Camerata group. The Chamber group requires 3 octave scales from Violin, Viola, and Cello students..**
 - Violin: 2 or 3 8va G Major Scale/Arpeggio
 - Viola: 2 or 3 8va C Major Scale/Arpeggio
 - Cello: 2 or 3 8va C Major Scale/Arpeggio
 - Bass: 2 8va G Major Scale/Arpeggio
2. Melodic Minor Scale:
 - Violin/Viola/Cello: 2 or 3 8ve minor scale/arpeggio of student's choice
 - Bass: 2 8va Melodic Minor Scale/Arpeggio of Student's Choice
3. 1 solo work, no more than two minutes Grade III or Higher. WRO and ERO solos are fine.