



NMS ORCHESTRA

Evelyn Champion, Director

Orchestra Notes S2 Week 8

**Congratulations to our six All State participants who are rehearsing in Athens
for a concert tomorrow!**

Sarah	DeVoe	Bass
Dennis	Smallwood	Bass
Hannah	Smallwood	Viola
Esha	Sringeri	Viola
Henry	Leeman	Violin
Danielle	Najarian	Violin

WHY NO NAILS?

Long fingernails and stringed instruments just don't mix. Playing skills are effected negatively because *the nails get in the way*. You cannot feel the fingerboard, you cannot put your fingers close enough together to play in tune, and the nails damage your strings. You also cannot hold the bow correctly. Technique and facility are impaired. Please, no long nails!

Incorrect



Correct



Correct



 **MANDATORY DISNEY REHEARSALS (only for those traveling)**
Tuesday, Feb 27, Monday, March 5 and Tuesday, March 6 8:00 a.m.



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SAVE THE DATE

We will have a PRE-Solo and Ensemble Concert called “Strings in the Garden” with Dr. Bartlett and the Environmental Club on Thursday evening, April 26. This will be an optional informal concert- more details to follow.

SOLO and ENSEMBLE is April 28 at Milton HS

Milton High School Orchestra

Students who would like to audition for upper orchestra level need to submit an audition video. The requirements are in the website student link. <http://www.miltonorchestra.org/handbook.html>

Students who do not wish to audition will automatically be placed in the intermediate orchestra.

Audition requirements for advanced orchestra:

[Violin Audition Requirements](#)

[Viola Audition Requirements](#)

[Cello Audition Requirements](#)

[Bass Audition Requirements](#)

FREE LESSONS

Tri-M Music Honor Society students at Milton are offering free private lessons for Northwestern Orchestra students. Email Trimilton@gmail.com for more details.

Upcoming events!

8th grade Disney Performance Trip- March 7-11
Honor Clinic/ Honor Orchestra- March 24



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Solo and Ensemble Performance Evaluation- April 28
Spring Concert and Awards- May 17

It's time to start thinking about SUMMER CAMPS!

There are several great orchestra camps in Georgia. Here are three links to overnight camps:

[ASTA Orchestra Camp](#)

[Encore Orchestra Camp](#)

[UGA Orchestra Camp](#)

[Athena Music and Leadership Camp \(girls only\)](#)

There are also quite a few other day camps, such as [KSU Intensive](#) and [UpBeat](#).

A summer camp is a great way to keep your child motivated and playing in the summer!

Please do not hesitate to contact me at any time if you have questions! champione@fultonschools.org

Thank you, Mrs. Champion