

10 Tips for Auditions

- 1. Begin your preparations early-don't wait until the last minute to cram music.
- 2. Pay attention to tempo and rhythmic markings on the excerpts.
- Tone and intonation scores tend to be higher for students who have new strings. Old strings do not hold pitch like new strings.
- 4. Perfect posture and position are the foundation of any good audition.
- 5. Read audition requirements carefully.
- 6. Play mock auditions in front of others. Ask others for feedback.
- 7. Record yourself playing your audition then listen back with a critical mindset.
- 8. Simulate being anxious before you audition: run around, get your heart rate up, then play through your audition.
- 9. Be sure you rosin your bow before you play.
- 10. Try your best!