



# Sacramento Youth Symphony Tuba Audition Requirements

Candidates are auditioning for a position within the **entire** SYS organization. There is often a limited number of spots open within each ensemble. Musicians may be placed in an ensemble where positions are open based on ability, the difficulty of repertoire selected, and previous attendance if applicable. The adjudicators will use the following guidelines as a means to assess a musician's skill level.

Classic Orchestra Requirements	Classic Repertoire Recommendations
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Any two-octave major scale</li> <li>• Any two-octave melodic minor scale</li> <li>• 2-3 minute excerpt of an unaccompanied solo (skip over long rests) that demonstrates your ability as a musician (see right)</li> <li>• Provided sight-reading</li> </ul>	<p>This orchestra will be playing orchestral arrangements of classical and pops music. Musicians should select solos at or above the level of the repertoire in the Rubank, Belwin, or Standard of Excellence intermediate method books. Please ask your music teacher, private teacher, or conductor for selection assistance.</p>
Academic Orchestra Requirements	Academic Orchestra Recommendations
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2 octaves of any major scale in quarter notes, at a tempo of 144</li> <li>• 2 octaves of any melodic minor scale in quarter notes at a tempo of 120</li> <li>• A Chromatic scale using the full range of your instrument</li> <li>• 3-4 minute excerpt of an unaccompanied solo (skip over long rests) that demonstrates your ability (see right)</li> <li>• Provided sight-reading (advanced excerpt preferred)</li> </ul>	<p>Haddad - Suite for Tuba Hartley            - Suite for Tuba            ...or comparable selections</p>
Premier Orchestra Requirements	Premier Repertoire Recommendations
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2 octaves of any major scale in quarter notes at a tempo of 144</li> <li>• 2 octaves of any melodic minor scale in quarter notes at a tempo of 144</li> <li>• A chromatic scale utilizing the full range of your instrument</li> <li>• 3-4 minute excerpt of an unaccompanied solo (skip over long rests) which demonstrates your ability (see right) <b>or</b> 2023 CBDA High School All-state Honor Band excerpts.</li> <li>• Brass may be asked to demonstrate ability to double and triple tongue</li> <li>• Sight-reading the provided advanced excerpt</li> </ul>	<p>Haddad - Suite for Tuba Hartley            - Suite for Tuba            ...or comparable selections</p> <p><b>or</b> 2023 CBDA High School All-state Honor Band excerpts.</p>