

# JDO / SDO Auditions

## Student information sheet

### **What is JDO/SDO?**

A one-weekend-only special event where selected students from Virginia District XI get together to perform with a guest conductor at George Mason University. It's a really fun opportunity to get to meet other orchestra students your age from other schools nearby.

### **How do I get in?**

Interested students will take an audition on **Monday, November 1, 2021** at Robinson Secondary School. Audition materials have been given to your orchestra teacher.

### **How do I register for the audition?**

You need to give your name, your school email address, and your PARENT email address to your orchestra teacher. You must meet your teacher's deadline for signing up.

### **Then what?**

Then you will receive an email with a link on **Friday, October 15 at 4:00 p.m.** to a sign-up genius. You will sign up for a specific block of time on Monday, November 1, 2021. You will then go to Robinson during that block of time and play your audition music for some judges.

### **What is the audition like?**

This is a "blind" audition which means that the judges CANNOT see you – there will be a curtain up separating you from the judges and you're not allowed to talk – that way the judges will have NO idea of who you are (keeps things "fair"!)

### **What happens if I get in?**

You will receive some music to practice on your own, with your private teacher or with your orchestra teacher. Then everyone will come together on Friday, January 7 at George Mason University (GMU) for a day of rehearsals with a fantastic guest conductor, come back on January 8 for a couple more rehearsals on Saturday morning, and then there is an awesome concert on Saturday afternoon. It's a really fun event!