

2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR





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CONTACT THE CONSERVATORY DIRECTOR TO SCHEDULE AN AUDITION





Piano Audition Requirements

Your scheduled in-person audition will require the following:

- You will play the A and Db major scales hands together, 2 octaves ascending & descending
- Choose <u>one</u> of the following selections to perform (based on ability):
 - 1. Prelude in C Major (from 5 little preludes) JS Bach
 - 2. Sonata in C (1st movment) WA Mozart
- Perform a 1-2 minute piece of choice (<u>must provide sheet music for Ms. Graening</u>)
- You will be asked to sight read a few measures of an excerpt for melody and rhythm skills

1 Day of Audition & Interview Questions

- Arrive early to give time to find the school entrance and piano lab.
- Dress appropriately.
- Do you have musical interests other than piano?
- Describe your musical goals for HS and beyond?
- Describe your academic goals for HS and beyond?
- Describe positive qualities you will bring to NSA
- What will your greatest challenge be at NSA?



Frequently Asked Questions

Q: How early should I arrive?

A: Doors will open at 8:30 am - the first audition begins at 9 am. Arrive on campus at least 30 minutes before your audition time. This gives you time to get parked and find the audition room.



Q: Will there be a place for me to warm up?

A: You can use a keyboard in the piano lab with headphones to warm up.

Q: How many people will be in the room for the audition?

A: One. Ms. Graening.

Q: How long will the interview portion of the audition last?

A: Approximately 8-10 minutes.

Q: I have completed my audition. What do I do next?

A: You are able to leave once your audition is completed. Results will not be posted. They will be sent via email from the MNPS Central Office or from Ms. Graening.



