



Staples High School Music Department
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Orphenian Audition Information

Orphenian auditions for the 2025-2026 school year will be held over a series of dates, all of which will be held at **Staples High School** in the **choral room (rm 458)**. *Sign up links below.*

Staples High School Students: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <u>Current Orphenians:</u> Wednesday, May 28th - 3-5p• <u>All other SHS students:</u> Thursday, May 29th - 3-5p	8th Grade Students: <u>BMS and CMS students may select either:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Monday, June 2nd - 3:30-5p• Wednesday, June 4th - 3:30-5p
Callbacks - Wednesday, June 11th - 2:30p-4:30p <i>*Students who are called back must be in attendance on the 11th, and for the full two hour session, to be considered for the ensemble - <u>no exceptions.</u></i>	

Auditions will consist of the following:

1. **A 24-48 bar audition cut of a song of your choice that shows off the best qualities of your voice.** You must bring sheet music for the accompanist (no a cappella auditions will be accepted).
2. **A short sight reading that will be provided to you at the audition.** (Please note: a student's ability or inability to sight read will not preclude you from being accepted into the ensemble - it simply provides the director an insight into how you approach reading music notation.)

Callbacks will consist of the following:

A short excerpt from a piece of choral music that will be emailed to you 24 hours before your audition. The excerpt will be sent to the email address you provided in the sign-up genius. You must learn and memorize **your vocal part** of that excerpt.

Orphenian Expectations

The Orphenians are a well respected, honors level ensemble that performs at both school concerts and in the community. When auditioning, you are agreeing to the rehearsal and performance schedule for the coming school year. There is potential to travel, sing at school games/events, workshop with the Voces8Foundation, and so much more.

Here is a [sample Orphenian contract](#) to better understand expectations.

If you have any questions regarding the Orphenian audition process or the choral program at Staples High School in general, please do not hesitate to contact me via the email address listed below.

I look forward to hearing your auditions!

Mrs. Pine

1. **EVERYONE** should fill out the [interest form](#)

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