LCPS PRELIMINARY AUDITION INFORMATION
INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC

Applicants will read and be familiar with the program description for the 2021 Governor's School for Visual and Performing Arts. Applicants from diverse background with ability in classical and/or commercial/jazz genres are encouraged to apply. Applicants should be sure that their compositions are legal to use under copyright law. Numerous Web sites make available public domain art songs which can be printed freely. Two such sites are http://www.cpdl.org/ and http://artsongcentral.com/ and http://imslp.org/.

The 2021 LCPS Preliminary Auditions will be VIRTUAL. Instrumentalists will submit a videotape of their audition. Recorded auditions may be produced with home recording equipment: studio recording is not necessary.

All instrumentalists will perform two (2) contrasting prepared selections of 2-3 minutes each. The use of any form of accompaniment for instrumental music will not be allowed. Instrumentalists may select materials from the Virginia Band and Orchestra Directors Association's (VBODA) Manual Solo Listings in grades IV, V, and VI; however, selections are not limited to those on these lists.

- Classical/Symphonic Percussionists will be required to present one of their two (2) prepared selections on a mallet instrument, and to play snare drum rudiments
- Commercial/Jazz Percussionists will be required to perform the following grooves on drum-set: rock, funk, swing, jazz waltz and a 1-minute improvised drum solo. In addition to the commercial/jazz audition, percussionists able to perform the classical/symphonic audition requirements are encouraged to do so.
- Classical Pianists, Guitarists (acoustic), and Harpists should select two (2) pieces representative of two different style periods (Baroque, Classical, Romantic, and 20th Century, original composition
- Commercial/Jazz pianists and Guitarists (electric guitar and bass) will be required to perform a jazz standard from a lead sheet and will improvise at least one chorus on the selection. In addition to the commercial/jazz audition, Pianists and Guitarists who able to perform the classical/symphonic audition requirements are encouraged to do so.
- Scales and sight-reading will not be required at the LCPS Virtual Preliminary Audition.
- Instrumentalists will be judged on technique, interpretation, tone, and intonation.