

**Entry to Anglo-Chinese Junior College through String Ensemble
via the Direct School Admission Exercise 2024**

APPLICANT ELIGIBILITY

Our audition panel seeks to identify students with high levels of musical abilities on their string instruments.

Applicants are to have achieved the following minimum musical qualifications on the following instruments:

Violin Minimum of Grade 7 (ABRSM or equivalent certification); at least two years of performance experience in chamber ensemble/symphonic orchestra and/or musical leadership is preferred.

Viola Minimum three years of performance experience as a violist in chamber ensembles and/or symphonic orchestra; experience in musical leadership is preferred.

Violoncello Minimum of Grade 5 (ABRSM or equivalent certification); at least two years of performance experience in chamber ensemble/symphonic orchestra and/or musical leadership is preferred.

Double Bass Minimum three years of performance experience as a double bassist in chamber in ensembles and/or symphonic orchestra; experience in musical leadership is preferred.

SELECTION PROCESS

1. Face-to-face Audition cum Interview

- ❖ Not all eligible applicants will be shortlisted as candidates.
- ❖ A successful audition and interview is the key requirement for admission to ACJC through String Ensemble via DSA. Satisfying the abovementioned criteria does not guarantee successful direct admission into ACJC.
- ❖ During the audition, candidates are required to present two contrasting pieces no longer than 10 minutes (in total).
 - The performance audition repertoire should be of good technical and expressive standard.
 - The repertoire should not be taken from the string ensemble repertoire – solos, concertos or etudes are preferred.
- ❖ Candidates may be asked to play two octaves of any of the following major scales – C, D, E, F, G, A, B-flat.
- ❖ Candidates may be asked to sight-read a short extract of about Grade 3 standard.
- ❖ While it is not compulsory, candidates are encouraged to arrange for their own accompanists or a backing track, should their chosen repertoire require accompaniment.
- ❖ All auditions will be followed by an interview by the selection panel.
- ❖ Students applying for Direct School Admission into Anglo-Chinese Junior College should have an exemplary disciplinary record.

2. Supporting Documents

Only shortlisted candidates are to prepare the following supporting documents in softcopy prior to the audition and submit via email:

- ❖ Certified True Copies of relevant certifications and record of achievements, solo / chamber / orchestral experience, etc.
- ❖ Previous year's academic results (3E or 4NA), and most recent current year results (4E or 5NA), if available.

School testimonial / teacher's letter of recommendation are **not required**. Please **do not** request for testimonials / letters of recommendation from your secondary school.

POST-AUDITION MATTERS

- ❖ After the selection process, only successful candidates will be notified via email and/or phone.
- ❖ Unsuccessful DSA candidates are still welcome to apply for admission to ACJC through their own academic merit via JAE and encouraged to join the String Ensemble.
- ❖ **Successful candidates, upon acceptance, must serve the college as a member of the ACJC String Ensemble throughout their duration of study in Anglo-Chinese Junior College.**