

## LETTER AWARDS IN ORCHESTRA

Each spring, orchestra students who have met the eligibility requirements will be awarded a Shawnee Mission North letter. "Lettering " in orchestra is just like lettering in any other activity, in that you must do EXTRA work above and beyond the requirements to pass the class. You may "letter" in many activities at North but you will only receive ONE letter and inserts representing each activity. You receive a bar for each year that you letter in each activity. The awarding of a letter is based solely on the judgement of the director.

Please note that "lettering" does not have anything to do with grades.

In order to letter, a student must attend **ALL REQUIRED ORCHESTRA PERFORMANCES. PERIOD.** *SPECIAL CASES WILL BE CONSIDERED.*

In addition to the above requirement, 9th grade students must complete at least THREE of the following activities:

Play solo at Regional Contest.

Play in an ensemble for Regional Contest.

Play a solo at State Contest.

Play in an ensemble for State Contest.

Perform three solos outside of class (recital, church, etc.) Bring a program or a note from your teacher/pastor etc.

Participate in another orchestra on a regular basis (KC Youth Symphony, Overland Park Orchestra, KC Civic Orchestra, church orchestra) Bring a note from your director.

Perform in the pit orchestra for the North musical.

Perform extra strolling beyond the quarterly requirements. (6<sup>th</sup> only)

Taking private lessons on your orchestra instrument on a regular basis. Bring a note from your teacher.

Assist with Golden Strings on a regular basis (1<sup>st</sup> block only)

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In addition to the above requirement, 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, and 12<sup>th</sup> grade students must complete at least **FOUR** of the following activities:

Audition for District One Honors Orchestra.  
Perform in District One Honors Orchestra.  
Audition for State Honors Orchestra.  
Perform in State Honors Orchestra.  
Play solo at Regional Contest.  
Play in an ensemble for Regional Contest.  
Play a solo at State Contest.  
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