

**Fall 2024**  
**University of Kansas Orchestral Program Audition Music**  
**Cello**

Auditions are required for placement into the KU Symphony Orchestra and the KU Prairie Fire Ensemble. Auditions will be held **Thursday, August 22** through **Saturday, August 24**. Audition sign-up forms will be posted on the KU School of Music website in the orchestra section starting July 1, 2024.

Everyone is required to perform a 3-octave major and melodic minor scale of their choice and the first two audition excerpts. The third excerpt is optional but required for consideration for placement into the KU Prairie Fire Ensemble.

**KU Symphony Orchestra**

Fall Semester Rehearsals: MTR 4:00pm-5:50pm; First rehearsal - **Monday, August 26, 2024**

**KU Philharmonic Orchestra**

Fall Semester Rehearsals: T 6:00pm-7:50pm; First rehearsal - **Tuesday, September 3, 2024**

**KU Prairie Fire Ensemble**

Fall Semester Rehearsals: M 3:00pm-3:50pm; First rehearsal - **Monday September 9, 2024**

Cello Excerpt #1 (everyone) - Mendelssohn Symphony No. 5 "Reformation" mvt. I  
Allegro con fuoco to 3 measures before rehearsal letter D.

Half note = 132

**Allegro con fuoco.**

*f*

*ff*

*pp*

*f non legato*

*f*

*f*

*ff*

*f*

*più f*

*ff*

*p*

*f*

*p*

**D**

Cello Excerpt #2 (everyone) - Mendelssohn Symphony No. 5 "Reformation" mvt. IV  
Allegro maestoso to downbeat of rehearsal letter E.

Quarter note = 145

Allegro maestoso.  
*pesante*  
*ff*  
*ff*  
*f*  
*ff*  
*ff*  
*f marcato*  
*f*  
*f*  
*ff*  
*pdolce*  
E

Cello Excerpt #3 (Prairie Fire Audition) - Tchaikovsky Souvenir de Florence  
Rehearsal Letter L to the downbeat of 9 after rehearsal letter M.

Quarter note = 210

*mf poco cresc.* *f* *f* *ff* *pp* *cresc.*

*scen - do* *mf* *cresc.* *f*

*cresc.* *ff*

*poco allargando* *Tempo I.*

*jff*

*ff*

*M poco riten.*

*poco string.* *ff* *tranquillo* *p* *f*