

## 2026 Application FAQ

# Who is my point of contact through the application and admissions process?

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### When did the application portal open?

Oct 16, 2025

## What's the application due date?

January 14, 2026

#### What are the program dates?

June 20 - August 7, 2026; June 20 is arrival day with orientation day on June 21.

#### Who is eligible?

Violinists, violists, and cellists who are ages 10-30 on June 20, 2026.

#### Can I get an extension to apply?

We strongly encourage all applicants to apply by the deadline. If you need an extension, please send an email with your request.

# What form of communication will I receive for my admissions notifications?

You will receive a notification via the Acceptd portal.

#### When will decision notifications be sent?

On or around February 20, 2026

## Do I have to submit the required chamber excerpt video?

Yes. You must prepare the chamber excerpts for your instrument and submit this along with your solo audition video(s).

### Can I get my application fee waived?

Requests for fee waivers are managed by Acceptd and can be requested through the application process.

# Can I upload a video submission or does it need to be a link? How long?

You can upload or provide a link (via YouTube or Vimeo, unlisted). The total length (several shorter videos) should be 15 minutes in length. You can include more, however, faculty will only review 15 minutes of your video.

#### Can I submit multiple uploads or links?

You can send all videos together as one link or video, or separate them into several videos or links.

#### Can the videos be edited?

The videos cannot have any edits within the movement, short solo piece or excerpts. You can merge several different full take audition pieces into one video/link. Similar to a playlist.



# Other than musical videos, what are the application requirements?

Be prepared to give your teacher's name, address, phone number, and email; a solo and chamber repertoire list; biographical information; a headshot; and responses to a few short answer questions.

# What is Meadowmount's tradition of violin students playing viola in chamber groups?

Each summer, violinists are assigned to play viola in chamber music groups. Meadowmount provides a viola, and the viola faculty support. This continues a long and rich tradition. Alumni who attended as a violinist and fell in love with the viola at Meadowmount include Milena Pajaro-van de Stadt, founding violist of the Dover Quartet; Ayane Kozasa, violist of the Kronos Quartet; Abigail Kreuzer, violist with the National Symphony Orchestra; James Ehnes; and Pinchas Zuckerman.

## Additional questions?

Please email Emily Heckel at <a href="mailto:emilyheckel@meadowmount.org">emilyheckel@meadowmount.org</a>

### How do I apply for financial assistance?

Approximately \$500,000 will be awarded in scholarships, financial aid, and work study. Within the application, you will be asked questions to learn interest and need. If interested, there will be follow-up short answer questions. If interested in work-study positions, you may need to provide a resume.

### Can I attend a partial session?

Meadowmount offers a full 7-week program and no partial sessions.

### Can I arrive late or leave the program early?

Meadowmount requires you to attend the entire 7-week program. If you anticipate schedule conflicts you may request a 'Leave Request Form' only after you have received your admissions acceptance notification.

