

Cardinal Orchestra, for strings only, will acquaint students with a large variety of high quality orchestral literature, with an emphasis on proper string technique, interpretation, and appreciation at a more advanced level. Focus will be on large group ensemble with required performances including four main evening concerts and the Central Lakes Conference Music Festival. This orchestra will be for the more serious students with higher developed skills and will require an audition prior to registering. Wind and percussion players from Cardinal Band will be encouraged to play with the Cardinal Orchestra in order to create a full orchestra at times. Some students are shared with Cardinal Band and Cardinal Choir, and membership in this ensemble is contingent on them continuing in band and choir. Sophomores and juniors who drop band or choir may be placed in another ensemble based on their replacement in the ensemble they drop.