



## Musician Commitment Contract

Congratulations on your placement in the Dearborn Youth Symphony. Being a member is both an honor and privilege, and participation requires certain responsibilities. Please be aware of the following, as you will be held accountable.

- DYS members are required to be prepared for and to attend all rehearsals and performances. This includes possession of their instrument, music, and pencil and being dressed in appropriate concert attire for all performances.
- DYS musicians are expected to diligently practice their music at home between DYS rehearsals. By not doing so, the musician will be considered unprepared.
- Arrive **prior** to the stated rehearsal/call time to sign in, unpack and tune. Tardiness disturbs the entire ensemble.
- Disruptive behavior will not be tolerated. The Conductor will address the situation immediately and publicly, and the musician may be dismissed from rehearsal at the Conductor's discretion.
- It is expected that DYS musicians will interact with fellow musicians, conductors, parent volunteers, and FCPAC personnel in a polite and respectful manner. Bullying and/or disrespect will not be tolerated. Remember, you are a representative and ambassador for the DYS organization.
- Restroom visits should be addressed prior to or after rehearsal unless there is an unexpected situation. Habitual offenders that do not make appropriate preparations will be considered disruptive.
- As guests of the Ford Community and Performing Arts Center, musicians are expected to show respect for the facility by occupying only the rooms/space designated for use by DYS, cleaning up after themselves, and conforming to the requests of FCPAC personnel.
- Musicians are required to rack their chairs and stands at the conclusion of each rehearsal unless otherwise directed. (This usually does not apply to Concert Orchestra.)
- Absences from rehearsal or performance must be reported via the absence notification form on our website or an email to [info@dearbornyouthsymphony.org](mailto:info@dearbornyouthsymphony.org). Musicians with excessive absences may not be eligible for performances or scholarships during that time period.

Consequences for the above are at the discretion of the Conductor and may include scholarship ineligibility, placement in another ensemble, or loss of membership. In turn, the DYS Conductors, Board Members, and volunteers are expected to act in a considerate and respectful manner that fosters a safe and welcoming environment within DYS.

(MUSICIAN) I have reviewed and understand the attached contract information, and agree to the commitment I am making to this organization.

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Musician Signature

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Musician Printed Name

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Date

(PARENT/GUARDIAN) I have reviewed and understand the attached contract information about the commitment my musician is making, and I agree to support him/her in this endeavor.

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Parent Signature

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Parent Printed Name

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Date