



# 2024-2025 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

## Student Information

This form must be completed in order to begin rehearsals.

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address/City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Student Cell: \_\_\_\_\_ Student Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_ School: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Primary Instrument: \_\_\_\_\_ Length of Study: \_\_\_\_\_ Instructor: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Secondary Instrument: \_\_\_\_\_ Length of Study: \_\_\_\_\_ Instructor: \_\_\_\_\_  
 What year did you join SYS? \_\_\_\_\_ How did you hear about SYS? \_\_\_\_\_  
 Student is a graduating senior this year  Student is receiving college credit

## Family Information

Primary Parent/Guardian Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_  Active Duty Military  
 Address (if different from student): \_\_\_\_\_  
 Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Secondary Parent/Guardian Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_  Active Duty Military  
 Address (if different from student): \_\_\_\_\_  
 Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**Two discount options/student:** 1) \$20 early bird discount for full payment/full year by first registration **OR** 2) \$30/year **Active Duty Military Discount** any time  
*Financial Assistance not eligible for either discount*

## Tuition Information

	FULL YEAR TUITION ONLY 2 Payments by 9/30 & 1/31 ✓	Full Year Tuition	Partial year tuition amounts		
			3 Sessions	2 Sessions	1 Session
<b>Youth</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>\$400</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> \$300	<input type="checkbox"/> \$200	<input type="checkbox"/> \$100
<b>Junior</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>\$375</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> \$282	<input type="checkbox"/> \$188	<input type="checkbox"/> \$94
<b>Sinfonette</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>\$350</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> \$263	<input type="checkbox"/> \$175	<input type="checkbox"/> \$88

Tuition: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Discount: -\$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Payment: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
*Checks payable to NYSA*  
 FOR OFFICE USE ONLY  
 Check/Cash: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Amount: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Pls initial  **NYSA invites every family to contribute positively by completing 10 volunteer credits annually. We request all members and volunteers 18+ to undergo a background check to enhance our community's safety.**

I/We have read the Northwest Youth Symphony Association policy summary on the back of this form and understand that as caregivers and students of this symphony, we're an important part of a team. We understand what is necessary to be part of the Symphony regarding behavior, participation, volunteerism, tuition, concerts, safety and dress code. I further agree that pictures of my participation may be used, in any form, as part of any future publication, brochure, or other printed material to promote NYSA. By adhering to these policies, we agree to help make Northwest Youth Symphony Association the best it can be. **Must be signed to begin rehearsals.**

Signature of Student: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Primary Parent/Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_



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*A more detailed policy can be found in the Handbook on our web site.*

### Code of Conduct

- All students must comply willingly with the instructions of FYS/MBYS/WIYS directors, coaching staff, and board members.
- Inappropriate behavior at rehearsals, concerts, or activities jeopardizes orchestra standing, including disrespect, threats, horseplay, inappropriate physical contact, language, dress, or any behavior undermining Symphony integrity.
- Disrespect towards directors, coaches, students, or staff, including put-downs, swearing, vulgarity, rudeness, rowdiness, or chronic negativity, will not be tolerated.
- Musicians must handle instruments and other equipment with care and responsibility. Damage to instruments or equipment due to negligence may result in consequences.
- The youth symphony values diversity and inclusivity. Musicians are expected to treat everyone with respect, regardless of background, race, gender, or other characteristics.
- No drugs or alcohol allowed. First infraction results in immediate removal from the premises with no warnings or refund.
- Public displays of affection are prohibited, except for brief side hugs. Wandering off alone or with one friend is not allowed without permission for a specific task.
- Ongoing medical needs are the responsibility of individuals.

### Rehearsal Behavior

- Walk (do not run) in the halls and respect the facility.
- Play only your own instrument during breaks and rehearsals.
- Food and drink (except bottled water) are not permitted in rehearsal space.
- Brass instruments should empty spit valves onto paper or an appropriate receptacle.
- Avoid casual conversation and foot-tapping during rehearsal; stay focused.
- Prepare sections of your music weekly, aiming to master notes and rhythms well in advance of concerts.
- Arrive early to be ready to play at the start time; lateness is disruptive.
- Rehearsals aim to establish group unity in musical expression; individual note mastery is the responsibility of musicians.
- Cell phones are to be put away during rehearsal.
- Musicians should access only designated areas for rehearsal and sectionals in rented spaces.

### Participation

- Consistent attendance is essential. **Arrive early enough to warm up and tune your instrument.**
- Let the Artistic Director/Conductor know as soon as possible if an absence is anticipated.
- Following rehearsals, Youth Symphony members are asked to help put away equipment and pick up trash.
- Private lessons outside of symphony are highly encouraged. Financial assistance for private lessons may be available.

### Tuition

We strongly encourage payment in full by September 30 as this simplifies record-keeping by the volunteers.

A two-payment plan is also offered due by September 30 and January 31.

Funds are available to support students in need of financial assistance. If interested, speak to the registrar at registration.

### Safety

Parents of all Sinfonette and Junior, and any younger members of Youth, are asked to bring their children into the lobby before rehearsal and pick them up in the lobby afterward in order to help us maintain their safety.

Students are asked to remain in the lobby while waiting to be picked up. We ask that they not roam throughout the building.

### Volunteering

The directors and coaches are the only paid staff. Consequently, the volunteer led Board of Directors needs YOUR help to keep our wonderful organization running smoothly. **NYSA invites every family to contribute positively by completing 10 volunteer credits annually (examples: distribute posters, backstage help, concert set-up). We encourage members and volunteers 18+ to undergo a background check to enhance our community's safety.**

### Concerts

We ask for cooperation from students and parents in bringing snacks and following instructions related to management of students on and off the stage.

### Concert Dress Standard

Symphony maintains a standard of dress for concert performances because a simple, integrated visual appearance promotes the image of the orchestra as a team. We ask that students adhere to the concert dress standard. Specifics are on the web site.