

YOL Season Commitment Form

I _____ hereby commit to meeting the following standards while in the YOL Fall Season. By signing below I agree that:

I will be available for the following dates, and if not I will RSVP on the website app.

***Summer: (Symphony and YOL Percussion) Sat June 30, Sun July 1, Mon July 2, Tues July 3, (all YOL) Wed July 4**

OPTIONAL YOL Music Ambassador Events: TBA June/Aug 2018

***Fall Dates: Aug 19th, Aug 25th, Aug 26th, Sept 2nd, Sept 9th, Sept 16th, Sept 23rd, Sept 30th, Oct 7th**

OPTIONAL Fall Fundraisers: Nov/December; RADA Meeting October Holiday Orders; Concessions TTU/LCU etc.

OPTIONAL YOL Music Ambassador Events: TBA Sept/Nov/Dec 2018

***Spring Dates: Jan 6th, Jan 13th, Jan 20th, Jan 27th, Feb 3rd, Feb 10th, Feb 17th, Feb 24, March 3rd**

OPTIONAL Spring Fundraiser: Solo-Ensemble Contest Jan/Feb ; RADA March (Mother's Day); RADA May (Father's Day)

OPTIONAL YOL Music Ambassador Events: TBA April/May 2018

YOL Ambassadors & Chamber Music Participants must attend any rehearsals for Ambassador Events - Dates TBA

****REQUIRED EVENTS ARE IN BOLD ABOVE***

- 1) **I will attend regular rehearsals on Sunday afternoons from 2-4:30 p.m.**
- 2) **I will check the website reservation calendar and RSVP the Friday before every rehearsal.**
- 3) **I will check the website weekly on Saturday for notices and updates to rehearsal plans & events.**
- 4) **I will download my music from the website and bring it to every rehearsal with me.** If students have to have music printed day of rehearsal, we will have to charge the student for the music at \$5/print.
- 5) **If a situation occurs where I am unable to attend rehearsal, I commit to contacting the YOL program director via text at (806) 416-3735.** I will text as soon as it is possible so that conductors can be notified of my absence in a timely fashion (24 hours prior to rehearsal when possible). Please do not email or contact director/conductors. Text to the number listed above is the only acceptable means of notification for an anticipated absence.
- 6) **I will make every effort to be on time and remain for the entire rehearsal.** Rehearsals last from 2-4:30 p.m. on Sundays. Your student is required to be present for the entire rehearsal. If the student must be late or leave early, it must be approved ahead of time by the program director. Only absences for required school events will automatically qualify for approval. Two tardies or early leaves from rehearsal will count as 1 unexcused absence.
- 7) **I understand that only one unexcused absence is allowed per season,** and that I will not be allowed to perform in special events, broadcasts, tapings, concerts, or participate in extra educational opportunities if I exceed 1 unexcused absence.
- 8) **I understand that if I do not pay the full amount of tuition due before the dress rehearsal, I will not be allowed to perform in the concert.** I understand that if tuition is paid late, I will be charged penalty.
- 9) **I understand that if I do not pay the full tuition due from any previous season I will not be allowed to join the orchestra until the outstanding balance is paid** in full, along with any additional fees/penalties due for late payment.
- 10) **I will behave in a manner that is respectful of others and does not disrupt rehearsals.** Being in orchestra is a privilege, not a right. Students are not entitled to remain in rehearsals if they act in a

disruptive manner. Those who act disruptively or who repeatedly and intentionally antagonize others through their actions or words will be asked to modify their behavior once. If a student does not modify their behavior when requested by the conductor, program director, or orchestra manager, the student will be removed and their parents notified. Additionally, if a student verbally taunts or otherwise disparages their peers or any orchestra staff member, their parents will be notified.

- 11) **I will update my communication preferences for YOL as necessary and reply to communications from YOL when I receive them.** YOL staff will make efforts to maintain posts on the website at www.youthorchestrasoflubbock.org and via facebook; however, we need to be able to contact parents directly and have current phone and email contact information for them at all times. YOL will send out emails and provide students printed schedules to take home with them following rehearsal the week before dress rehearsals and major events. We may send texts or phone messages regarding specific issues such schedule changes. To update communication preferences, please go to: <http://youthorchestrasoflubbock.org/member-musician-section-2/> if after enrolling you are not getting Remind App notices or emails, please contact us if you are not getting messages from YOL so we can remedy the situation.
- 12) **I will obtain the clothing necessary to perform in concert black attire for concerts.** This includes a white shirt and **black** dress coat, **black** slacks, **black** socks, and **black** shoes for males. It includes **black** socks/tights/hose, **black** ankle-length dress/pants, and **black** shirt with $\frac{3}{4}$ length sleeves, and **black** shoes for females. If I cannot obtain suitable clothing articles, I will contact the YOL Program Director for assistance with obtaining them at least 3 weeks prior to the dress rehearsal.

By signing below, both the parents and their student commit to the standard of conduct and attendance policies required by the Youth Orchestras of Lubbock.

STUDENT SIGNATURE _____ Date _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE _____ Date _____

PARENT CELL PHONE _____

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If you are going to be part of the YOL Music Ambassador's Program providing performances in the community and at area nursing homes, please sign your name with "YOL MUSIC AMBASSADOR" _____

Please note that YOL Music Ambassadors require additional time commitments outside of those listed above. Discuss this with your parent(s).

Remember: Being in orchestra means that the entire group is depending upon you to be present for rehearsals and performances. The best learning experience is achieved when all member musicians are giving their best efforts consistently to achieve growth and success. Although Sunday rehearsals begin at 2 p.m., the building will be open by 1:45 and students are encouraged to come early in order to prevent tardiness so they have their instrument tuned and ready to begin promptly at 2 p.m.

REMEMBER THAT ALL CONCERTS AND DRESS REHEARSALS ARE MANDATORY TO ATTEND.

Not being present can jeopardize your status in the program. Additionally, you should know that commitment and attendance are factors in considering a student for move to a higher orchestra.

YOU CAN:

HELP AT THE YOL OFFICE – FALL, SPRING, AND SUMMER. These hours can be used to count toward your NHS hours, and will be used to help with our music library, audition packet assembly, and recruiting efforts.

PARTICIPATE IN THE YOL MUSIC AMBASSADORS PROGRAM. This allows you to gain more experience and provides the opportunity for you to meet community members willing to sponsor you and help you in your growth as a musician.

HELP WITH AT LEAST TWO FUNDRAISING EVENTS PER YEAR. This is one way that we help fund the scholarships and financial aid. All members' parents are required to attend the meetings about fundraisers.

Please add the emails info@youthorchestrasoflubbock.org and amber@yol.email to your email contact list so our communications do not end up in your email client's bulk or junk mail folders.

Auditions to move to another orchestra level will be in May 2019.

The YOL Concerto Competition will be held in Nov 2018. Applications must be approved before you begin practicing the music you choose, because the conductor has to examine the music for appropriateness for our group and the program director has to evaluate the cost for the music. If your selection is rejected a conductor will provide you options in lieu of that piece.

Postage Deadline for Concerto applications is Sept. 15th.

Questions or concerns can be addressed to the program director via email at: amber@yol.email

You are welcome to visit the program director in person by appointment, at the YOL office, located at 5919 W 50th Street, in Suite C. Office visitation hours may be arranged on Tuesday's and Friday's between 3:30-6:30 p.m.

YOL Commitment Bulletlist

- **I will attend rehearsals on Sunday afternoons from 2-4:30 p.m.**
 - Dates for the rehearsals are as follows, please check your calendars for conflicts.
- Fall Dates: Aug 19th, Aug 25th, Aug 26th, Sept 2nd, Sept 9th, Sept 16th, Sept 23rd, Sept 30th, Oct 7th
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OPTIONAL Spring Fundraiser: Solo-Ensemble Contest Jan/Feb ; RADA Meetings: March (Mother's Day); May (Father's Day)
 - *NOTE: YOL Ambassadors & Chamber Music Participants must attend any rehearsals for Ambassador Events*
- **I will RSVP for every rehearsal and event via the website app, linked from the "NEXT Rehearsal" page at least 1 hour before any event.**
- **If a situation occurs where I am unable to attend rehearsal, I commit to contacting the YOL program director via text at (806) 416-3735 to notify 24-hours prior if possible.**
- **I will make every effort to be on time and remain for the entire rehearsal from 2-4:30 p.m. I understand that 2 tardies/early-leaves count as 1 unexcused absence.**
- **I understand that only one unexcused absence is allowed per season and in excess of that I will be excluded from concert performances, tapings, or special events.**
- **I understand that if I do not pay the full amount of tuition due before the dress rehearsal, I will not be allowed to perform in the concert and will incur a late fee.**
- **I understand if I do not pay the full tuition due from any previous season I will not be allowed to join YOL until the outstanding balance is paid in full with any late fees.**
- **I will behave in a manner that is respectful of others and does not disrupt rehearsals.**
- **I will update my communication preferences for YOL as necessary and reply to communications from YOL when I receive them.**
- **I will obtain the clothing necessary to perform in "concert black" for concerts. If for any reason I am unable to do so, I will contact the YOL Program Director for assistance with obtaining the necessary clothing 3 weeks prior to dress rehearsal.**

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Please add the emails info@youthorchestrasoflubbock.org and amber@yol.email to your email contact list so our communications do not end up in your email client's bulk or junk mail folders. Financial questions or concerns can be addressed to the program director via email at: amber@yol.email

This page is for parents to keep and post in their home.