

Idaho State Youth Symphony Policy/ School Participation Contract 2019-2020

*****Submit this contract with your semester fee payment*****

Student Name: _____ Instrument: _____

Guardian Name: _____ Phone: _____

Mission Statement

The ISCS Youth Orchestra will provide musical enrichment for young people involved in their school music programs in the Pocatello area and surrounding communities. Students will prepare and perform musical selections from different eras, styles, and cultures in a unique collaborative setting. In addition, a professional atmosphere, rehearsal space, and experienced guests and clinicians will be provided for the students each season.

Fees (Fall Fees due 1st day of rehearsal)

Fees for participation in the Idaho State Youth Symphony are \$100 for strings, \$75 for winds/brass and \$50 for percussion. No refunds will be given after the first rehearsal. Please make check payable to the ISCS. **Please put your payment in an envelope with the Student's full name on the front.** If payment must be mailed, please send to:

921 S. 8th Ave., STOP 8099
Pocatello, ID 83209-8099.

***Fall Fees Due - September 10, 2019** (late fee of \$20 will be charged for late payments).

***Spring Fees Due - January 21, 2020** (late fee of \$20 will be charged for late payments).

*Scholarships are available. Please contact the youth orchestra manager for details and requirements.

Attendance

Consistent attendance is your show of commitment to the finest possible performance by our symphony. Orchestra members who must be absent from a rehearsal should contact the **Youth Orchestra Manager (Shawna Morrissey)** as far in advance as possible by text, email, or phone. Please do not contact Ms. Boese. Any member who has more than two unexcused absences will be allowed to perform in the concert only at the discretion of Ms. Boese.

Being on time and professional=

- Student has signed attendance sheet and checked in with the YO manager.
- Student has all materials and instrument ready in the sectional or rehearsal location.
- Student has tuned and warmed-up 5 min. before the sectional or rehearsal begins.

Rehearsal Expectations

Each student is expected to demonstrate professionalism at all rehearsals and concerts.

Rehearsals are NOT a time for students to learn their parts. Rehearsals are planned to bring the composer's intent of the composition to the forefront through focus on style, balance, phrasing, technique and color. Each student is expected to prepare his/her parts outside of rehearsals. Rehearsal schedules will be sent out ahead of time to help students know what to

prepare for the upcoming rehearsal.

- Rehearsals begin promptly at 4:15 pm and end at 5:45 pm on Tuesday and 9:00-11:00am on Saturday. All members should be in their seats, with instrument, music and a pencil ready to play 5 minutes before rehearsal begins.
- All rehearsals, concerts and sectionals are at the Stephens Performing Arts Center unless otherwise indicated through email. The Fine Arts building at ISU will also be used for Saturday rehearsals and will be indicated via email and on the calendar.
- Dress rehearsals should not be missed and will be indicated on the calendar. Please plan accordingly.

Performances

- Concerts begin at 7:30 p.m. unless stated otherwise. Concerts will be performed at the Stephens Performing Arts Center.
- The call time is 1½ hour prior to the start of every performance unless otherwise noted.
- Performance dress is **CONCERT BLACK**
 - Women:** black full-length dress or black blouse and black full-length skirt or dress slacks; black dress shoes, black stockings. Please note: sleeves must be at least to the elbow.
 - Men:** black long-sleeved shirt and black pants; black dress shoes, black socks.

Music Expectations

Each student will be provided with a copy of the music, as well as a folder. If that music is misplaced, students will be expected to print their own secondary copies using music from another member in their section. Students are responsible for making sure that they use pencil to mark rehearsal markings on their parts. Detailed markings in their parts will help students remember what was discussed and rehearsed. This will help them in their personal practice.

Loaner copies will NOT be available.

All players must have their own music at each rehearsal. Outside string players will put their music on the music stand, inside string players will put their music on the floor beside them and mark their parts during rehearsals. Wind, brass and percussionists must also have their music with them to every rehearsal.

Participation Requirement

Members of the ISCS Youth Orchestra are required to participate in their school music program, if one exists. This may include orchestra, choir, or band for a minimum of one trimester. All members of the Youth Orchestra must submit a *School Participation Contract*. *Students who do not submit a contract will lose their position in the youth orchestra.* If Class scheduling is a conflict for participation in your program, please contact the Youth Orchestra manager to work out participation. Juniors and Seniors wishing to perform with the Idaho State Civic Symphony may audition and, if successful, will be allowed to participate in one concert cycle each semester. See the Youth Orchestra director with any questions.

Private Lessons

Private lessons are encouraged, BUT are not a substitute for participating in your school music programs. If you are interested in private lessons we will be happy to help find a teacher for you.

I have read and understand the **Idaho State Youth Symphony Policy/School Participation Contract 2016-2017** and agree to abide by all of the policies within. I also understand that any misconduct in rehearsals or in/on the ISU Facilities will result in dismissal from the Youth Orchestra.

DIRECTOR CONTACT INFORMATION

Ms. Amy Boese
abboese@gmail.com

YOUTH ORCHESTRA MANAGER

Shawna Morrissey
shawnamorrissey@gmail.com
(208) 226-4495 call or text

Student Signature: _____

Date: _____

Parent Signature: _____

Date: _____

School Music Director Signature: _____

Date: _____

Parent/Guardian Name (print) _____

Parent Phone _____

Parent Phone _____

Email address-student: _____

Email address-Parent: _____

Do you permit photos of your child to be used publicly? _____ YES _____ NO