

**2025-2026 Concert Season**  
**General Information Form for Musicians & Parents**



Please provide the following information in the spaces provided, sign, and save. To ensure up-to-date information and approvals for all musicians, all musicians (families) must complete, sign, and turn in all forms/releases each year regardless of past participation. All registration forms/releases are required for musicians to participate in rehearsals and concerts and to be listed in concert programs.

**YSSO Musician Name:** \_\_\_\_\_  
*(as it will appear in the concert series program)*

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_ **City:** \_\_\_\_\_ **State:** \_\_\_\_ **Zip:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Telephone (home):** \_\_\_\_\_ **Telephone (cell):** \_\_\_\_\_

**YSSO Musician E-Mail Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

The e-mail address above will be used for YSSO rehearsal/concert reminders and communication. If other family members wish to receive e-mail reminders and communiques, please print/type the additional e-mail address(es) below:

**Additional E-Mail Address(es):** \_\_\_\_\_

**2025-2026 YSSO Ensemble:** Youth Symphony \_\_\_\_\_ Youth Orchestra \_\_\_\_\_

**Instrument(s):** \_\_\_\_\_

**Name of School:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Grade in School** *(or equivalent if home-schooled):* \_\_\_\_\_

**School Music Teacher's Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**School Music Ensemble and/or Class:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Private Music Instructor's Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Private Music Instructor's Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Father's Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_ **City:** \_\_\_\_\_ **State:** \_\_\_\_ **Zip:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Telephone (home):** \_\_\_\_\_ **Telephone (cell):** \_\_\_\_\_

**Mother's Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_ **City:** \_\_\_\_\_ **State:** \_\_\_\_ **Zip:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Telephone (home):** \_\_\_\_\_ **Telephone (cell):** \_\_\_\_\_

**By signing, the parent/guardian and musician acknowledge an understanding of and a willingness to abide by all policies, expectations, rehearsal/concert schedules/etiquette, and other requirements of the Youth Symphony of Southern Oregon.**

**Signature of Parent:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature of Musician:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Musician's Racial/Ethnic Characteristics:** *(optional, check all that apply)*  
Caucasian    Hispanic    Black    Native American    Asian  
Middle Eastern    East Indian    Pacific Islander    Other \_\_\_\_\_

**FOR YSSO OFFICE USE ONLY:**    Paid Check# \_\_\_\_\_    Paid Card    Paid Cash    Amount Paid \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Registration Complete    Forms/Payment Missing \_\_\_\_\_

**2025-2026 Tuition Payment Form**

Please complete this form and attach tuition/fee payment(s). Turn in the tuition form and payment along with all required registration forms and releases at registration. *Tuition is non-refundable.*

**NOTE:** *The YSSO offers discounted tuition for siblings. For multiple musicians in a family, please pay the highest tuition then add discounted tuition.*

**Youth Symphony Tuition** \$425

- Attached is the \$425 tuition for \_\_\_\_\_ (musician name)
- Attached is the \$382 tuition (10% discount) for \_\_\_\_\_ (sibling name)
- Attached is the \$382 tuition (10% discount) for \_\_\_\_\_ (sibling name)

**Youth Orchestra Tuition** \$400

- Attached is the \$400 tuition for \_\_\_\_\_ (musician name)
- Attached is the \$360 tuition (10% discount) for \_\_\_\_\_ (sibling name)
- Attached is the \$360 tuition (10% discount) for \_\_\_\_\_ (sibling name)

**TOTAL TUITION PAYMENT (check/cash preferred) \$\_\_\_\_\_ Thank you!**

**Please make the check payable to the Youth Symphony of Southern Oregon or YSSO.**

**If you have any questions about tuition payments, sibling discount, payment methods, partial year participation or other matter, please contact the Executive Director (541-858-8859).**

**Tuition Assistance**

Tuition assistance is available upon the submission, review, and approval of a *Tuition Assistance* request. Full tuition assistance does not cover 100% of the tuition amount. Musicians requesting full assistance pay a minimum of \$25 which must accompany the request for full tuition assistance. Musicians requesting partial tuition assistance pay the balance of the tuition.

- If you are requesting tuition assistance, attached your check for a minimum of \$25 or the balance of the tuition for \_\_\_\_\_ (for each musician) along with the completed *Tuition Assistance* request form.

**Please make the check payable to the Youth Symphony of Southern Oregon or YSSO.**

**Payment by Credit Card:**

- Please charge the tuition/fee(s) to my:  Visa  MasterCard

Credit Card #: \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name on Card: \_\_\_\_\_ Address/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

**2025-2026 Parent & Musician Contract**



**Parent Contract**

I/We assume all risks and hazards incidental to participation in *Youth Symphony of Southern Oregon* (YSSO) organization activities and do hereby waive, release, absolve, indemnify, and agree to hold harmless the *Youth Symphony of Southern Oregon*, its governing board, staff, music coaches, adjudicators, accompanists, and volunteers for any claim arising from any injury to myself or to my child.

I/We accept responsibility for the behavior and actions of my/our child at all YSSO organization events, activities, rehearsals, and concerts.

I/We have reviewed and understand all of the policies, requirements, expectations, procedures, and schedules of the YSSO organization and will ensure compliance by my/our family and child.

**Signature of Parent(s):** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Musician Contract**

Being a musician and playing in a performing ensemble requires discipline and commitment. The *Youth Symphony of Southern Oregon* (YSSO) organization assumes that musicians in an ensemble understand the importance of putting the needs of the group ahead of the needs of an individual. YSSO musicians must understand that policies, expectations, requirements, and procedures are created and decisions are made to ensure and enhance the safety, security, enjoyment, success, and general attitude of the group.

It is a privilege to be selected to participate in an ensemble of the YSSO organization. Inherent in this privilege is a responsibility to follow the rules of conduct and meet the following expectations:

- I will prepare for all YSSO performances by practicing my part(s) and striving for musical excellence.
- I will be punctual, attend all rehearsals (weekly full ensemble rehearsals, sectional rehearsals, final/dress rehearsals, pre-concert, and other rehearsals), support my colleagues in the ensemble(s), cooperate with the conductor, music coaches, volunteers, governing board directors, and staff members.
- I will play in all concerts.
- I will communicate with YSSO staff as directed in a timely and respectful fashion.
- I will comply with all YSSO policies, expectations, procedures, protocols, requirements, and schedules.
- I understand that I am responsible for my music and assigned YSSO music folder and will bring my music to rehearsals and concerts and return the music/folder on time and in good condition as required and directed. I further understand that I am responsible for paying for damaged or lost YSSO music and/or YSSO music folders.
- I will act responsibly and treat my colleagues, YSSO governing board and staff, music coaches, teachers, and volunteers with courtesy and respect, and follow the policies of all venues and facilities at all times.
- I am responsible for my actions and behavior at all times and I understand that I may be placed on probation, suspended from performing in concerts or dismissed from the organization for willful disregard of policies, damage to property, improper behavior or language or other action(s) deemed inappropriate by the YSSO.
- If *any* music courses/classes/ensembles are offered at my school, I will participate in the music program (*i.e.* band, orchestra, choir, jazz ensemble, music theory, or other school music class/ensemble) for the school year.

**Signature of Musician:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

## 2025-2026 Media, Image & Recording Release



**To Whom It May Concern:** I give my child, \_\_\_\_\_, permission and consent to participate in publicity and media activities on behalf of the Youth Symphony of Southern Oregon (YSSO) or activities related to YSSO organization events, rehearsals, concerts or publicity, including photographs, reproductions, audio/video recordings, recordings for television, radio, or social media, webcasts, interviews, etc., and to exempt the Youth Symphony of Southern Oregon organization from obligation and/or remuneration for use of such material for publicity, marketing or other purposes.

**Image Use Permission:** I further hereby grant permission for photographs/image files and/or video files of my child to be posted on the YSSO organization web site and on other electronic communication tools/social media, and to be posted on the web sites of foundations or agencies or included in annual reports, publications or publicity related to YSSO organization activities, reports, programs, materials, or events. This permission will remain valid until revoked in writing by me or other legal guardian of this child or by the musician at age 18.

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Signature of Parent/Guardian**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Date**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Signature of YSSO Musician**

**AND**

## 2025-2026 Permission & Medical Release

My child has my/our permission to participate in all Youth Symphony of Southern Oregon (YSSO) organization rehearsals and concerts, events, activities, official YSSO tours/travel (if applicable), and any special, sectional, or extended rehearsals/retreats during the 2025-2026 season.

I authorize YSSO organization adult chaperones, staff, governing board members or volunteers to obtain the necessary medical attention in the event of an emergency.

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Name of Student Musician**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Instrument(s)**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**2025-2026 YSSO Ensemble**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Physician's Name**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Phone #**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Medical Insurance Co.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Policy #**

Please list all dietary issues/needs of your son/daughter (vegetarian, diabetic, etc.).

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
List medical conditions (i.e. allergies, epilepsy, etc.) and medications about which the YSSO organization should be aware. This information is confidential.

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Please provide the name and telephone number of an individual who could be contacted in the event the YSSO is unable to reach the parent/guardian listed below.

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Emergency Contact**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Phone #**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Relationship**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Signature of Parent/Guardian**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Phone #**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Date**

**2025-2026 Concert Season**  
**Risk Agreement & Release of Liability**



Name of Musician (please type): \_\_\_\_\_

***Risk Agreement***

I hereby give permission for my child to attend and participate in Youth Symphony of Southern Oregon (YSSO) rehearsals, fundraising event(s), concerts, auditions, and competition. My child and I are familiar with and knowingly and voluntarily accept any and all risk associated with attending and participating in an activity at a school campus, concert venue, fundraising venue, or other facility or location. I acknowledge that my child's participation in YSSO programs is wholly voluntary.

I understand there are inherent risks of physical injury and illness and voluntarily assume all risks, hazards, and accept sole responsibility associated with my child's participation including, but not limited to, the risks associated with the COVID-19 virus. The Youth Symphony of Southern Oregon cannot completely mitigate the transfer of communicable diseases including COVID-19. I understand that my child will be associating with staff, music coaches, volunteers, governing board members, other musicians, audiences, event participants, and venue personnel. I acknowledge that we will comply with all procedures and protocols while attending YSSO activities. In the event of a medical emergency, 911 will be called and I will be responsible for any and all costs of medical treatment.

I certify that my child will not participate in or attend a YSSO rehearsal, performance, or other event if he/she has medical/health issues that make it unsafe for him/her or others.

***Release of Liability***

I certify that I have read this document in its entirety and fully understand its contents.

I hereby agree to waive, release, hold harmless and discharge any and all claims, causes of action, damages, and rights of any kind against the Youth Symphony of Southern Oregon (YSSO), its insurers, the YSSO governing board, and all its respective employees, agents, representatives, and volunteers (the "Released Parties") arising from or relating in any way to any damage, injury, trauma, illness, loss, unwanted contact, harassment, disability, dismemberment, or death that may occur to my child, me, or my household members - whatever the cause - due to my child's participation. This includes, without limitation, any claim arising from negligence of the Released Parties. I further certify and represent that I have the legal authority to waive, discharge, release, and hold harmless the released parties on behalf of myself and the above-named musician.

I agree not to sue the Released Parties, and to defend and indemnify the Released Parties for all claims, damages, losses, or expenses, including attorneys' fees, if a suit is filed concerning an injury, illness, or death to me, my child, or my household members resulting from participation.

Parent/Guardian Name(s) (printed): \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

# 2025-2026 School Music Program Participation Verification



Name of YSSO Student Musician: \_\_\_\_\_

Student musicians are expected to include this completed and signed form with all YSSO registration forms/releases.

Name of Parent: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature of Parent: \_\_\_\_\_

School Name: \_\_\_\_\_ School District: \_\_\_\_\_

The student musician noted above was selected to participate in a *Youth Symphony of Southern Oregon* (YSSO) ensemble.

It is the policy of the governing board of the *Youth Symphony of Southern Oregon* that YSSO musicians shall participate in their school music programs, if a music program is offered by the school. YSSO training and performance opportunities are intended to *supplement* school music programs (including band, orchestra, chamber orchestra, jazz band, music theory and history courses/classes, general or special music classes, and choral music ensembles) rather than *supplant* school music programs. YSSO musicians are expected to be enrolled in a school music class or in a school ensemble for the full school year.

To ensure compliance with this policy of the governing board, the YSSO must verify enrollment in the school's music program. If a student musician is unable to participate in a school music class/ensemble due to a conflict, a signed letter from a parent documenting and describing the conflict must be attached to the signed form. The letter to the YSSO must request a waiver of the YSSO governing board policy.

**The student musician is enrolled in the school's music program for the 2025-2026 school year.**

Music Ensemble and/or Music Class: \_\_\_\_\_

Music Teacher Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Music Teacher Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**The student musician has a conflict that prevents participation in a school music class or school music ensemble and requests the YSSO governing board waive its school music participation policy.**

A signed letter from the parent(s) documenting the conflict and requesting a waiver is attached. This statement will be reviewed and considered by the executive committee of the YSSO governing board to determine if the board will grant a waiver.

*The signature of the school's Principal or Vice-Principal (not guidance counselors) below confirms he/she has been apprised of the conflict described in the attached letter from the parent.*

Name of Principal or Vice-Principal: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Principal or Vice-Principal: \_\_\_\_\_

**The school does not offer any music ensembles or music classes for students.**

*The signature of the school's Principal or Vice-Principal (not guidance counselors) below confirms the school does not offer any music ensembles/courses/classes.*

Name of Principal or Vice-Principal: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Principal or Vice-Principal: \_\_\_\_\_

**The student musician is home-schooled.**

*The parent's signature at the top of the form confirms the student musician is home-schooled and does not participate in a school music program.*

*If a completed and signed form is not returned to the YSSO, the student musician may not be able to participate in the YSSO. The form can be sent by regular mail to the YSSO Executive Director (YSSO, P.O. Box 4291, Medford, OR 97501). **Please do not bring the form or other registration forms or payments to rehearsals or ask others to turn them in for you.***

## 2025-2026 Volunteer Opportunities & Needs



The Youth Symphony of Southern Oregon (YSSO) asks that parents/families sign up for a minimum of two (2) volunteer assignments per *Concert Season*.

Name of Parent(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone #'s: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Parent: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Parent: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of YSSO Musician: \_\_\_\_\_

YSSO Ensemble(s): \_\_\_\_\_

All staff, board members, musicians, volunteers, coaches, and others participating in the YSSO adhere to all policies and expectations. Your signature(s) above indicates your understanding and agreement.

Please use the following checklist to indicate the volunteer tasks with which you are willing to assist. You are encouraged to check more than one box. Some categories include multiple volunteer options. The completed checklists will be shared with staff and others coordinating volunteers.

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- Complimentary Ticket (Voucher) Distribution & Ticket Sales Volunteers*** distribute complimentary tickets (vouchers) to YSSO musicians/families and sell tickets at the two Sunday rehearsals immediately prior to each *Concert Series* weekend.
  - Ticket Sales & Box Office Volunteers*** sell *Concert Series* tickets at some of the venues (SOU, GPHS PAC, etc.).
  - Concert Series Ushers*** collect tickets and distribute concert programs at SOU, GPHS PAC, and other venues as needed.
  - Concert Series Musician Supervision Volunteers*** monitor and supervise musicians prior to and during a *Concert Series* performance. Volunteers help ensure musicians comply with YSSO policies, etiquette, and expectations, as well as the policies of each venue/facility.
  - Concert Series (matinee) Reception Volunteers*** provide beverages or food items as requested and assist with receptions.
  - Special Event Volunteers*** assist with governing board-coordinated events such as a pancake breakfast, silent auctions or raffles, and other activities.
  - Poster Distribution Volunteers*** pick up posters at rehearsals two weeks prior to a *Concert Series* weekend and distribute them to business/school/other locations (lists of potential and past locations can be provided).

**2025-2026 Annual Giving**  
***Friends of the Youth Symphony of Southern Oregon***



Please take a moment to renew or increase your annual gift, make an additional gift to honor a musician, friend or colleague, or make your first gift. The beginning of a *Concert Season* is the perfect time to show your support for the YSSO organization and its work with and on behalf of young people, families, and communities.

Each year gifts and contributions from individuals, families, and family funds generate 30 percent of the Youth Symphony of Southern Oregon organization's annual revenue. *Friends of the Youth Symphony of Southern Oregon* are listed in *Concert Series* programs and letters acknowledging contributions are provided to donors. *Friends of the YSSO* also receive the YSSO organization newsletter. The Youth Symphony of Southern Oregon is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization. Gifts and contributions may be tax-deductible. Please consult a professional tax advisor for details.

All qualified musicians may participate in an ensemble if selected regardless of financial circumstances. Contributions from individuals along with financial support from foundations, funds, and agencies help underwrite tuition waiver assistance and/or lesson assistance for current YSSO musicians, as well as concert venue and rehearsal facility fees and insurance, the rental or purchase of music, fees for artistic or administrative personnel, and other operating expenses.

A gift of any amount makes a difference. Thank you!

Categories of giving include:

- |   |                                    |                                      |       |
|---|------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Director's Circle  | \$10,000                           | <input type="checkbox"/> Benefactor  | \$500 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Composer's Circle  | \$5,000                            | <input type="checkbox"/> Patron      | \$250 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Musician's Circle  | \$2,000                            | <input type="checkbox"/> Sponsor     | \$100 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Conductor's Circle | \$1,000                            | <input type="checkbox"/> Contributor | \$50  |
|   | <input type="checkbox"/> Associate |                                      | \$25  |

Please mail your gift to: **Youth Symphony of Southern Oregon**  
**P.O. Box 4291**  
**Medford, OR 97501**

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

*(as you wish the name/s to appear in concert series programs)*

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

**METHOD OF PAYMENT (CHECKS PREFERRED)**

Enclosed is a check in the amount of: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please charge the gift to my:  Visa  MasterCard

Credit Card #: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_\_