

Fargo Moorhead Area Youth Symphonies

Musician Code of Conduct

Attendance – FMAYS musicians are expected to:

- Arrive early for rehearsals and concerts to warm up and tune.
- Report planned absences with as much advance notice as possible.
- Email or phone the Executive Director if ill for a rehearsal or concert.

Rehearsal & Concert Etiquette – FMAYS musicians are expected to:

- Bring all appropriate music to every rehearsal and concert, regardless of sharing.
- Pay attention at all times, and refrain from talking.
- Have a pencil ready at all times.
- Turn off all electronic devices, including cell phones.
- Refrain from chewing gum, eating, or drinking anything other than water during rehearsals. Water should NOT be on stage during a performance unless approved by music director.
- Follow FMAYS concert attire code for performances.

Respect & Courtesy – FMAYS musicians are expected to:

- Respect the property of others, including rehearsal and performance venues, personal property, and musical instruments.
- Refrain from displaying disruptive behavior during rehearsals and breaks.
- Clean up personal trash, belongings, etc at the end of rehearsals.
- Listen and speak respectfully to peers and adults.
- Use appropriate language at all times.

Safety – FMAYS musicians are expected to:

- Arrive on time and sign in on attendance sheet (if applicable).
- **Arrange for prompt pick up following rehearsals and performances.** Contact Executive Director if other arrangements must be made.
- Always be respectful of, listen to, and follow directions given by adults in charge, including FMAYS faculty, staff, and parent volunteers.
- If a student has special needs, please inform Executive Director before season's rehearsals begin. We will try our best to make appropriate accommodations.

Consequences and Processes

- Inappropriate behavior will be brought to the attention of the musician.
- If necessary, or if persistent, behavior will be brought to the attention of the musician's parents.
- If inappropriate behavior continues, or if the infraction compromises the safety of the musician or those around him/her, the musician may be asked to leave rehearsal.

I hereby understand and agree to adhere to the FMAYS musician code of conduct. I understand that if I fail to exhibit appropriate behavior as defined by the Code, I may be dismissed from the orchestra without tuition reimbursement.

Signature of Student

Signature of Parent