You are invited to participate in a special opportunity at MYAC, and we need you to make it work. We are looking for new Practice Mentors for the Young Music Scholars (YMS) program, which selects students from underserved schools to join MYA for orchestra and small group lessons.

We are looking for upcoming 11th and 12th Grade Symphony Orchestra string players for the 2019-2020 school year to join as Practice Mentors who will be responsible for guiding the YMS students in their weekly sessions at MYA. This is a great opportunity to gain teaching experience as you provide weekly practice session with YMS students in working on the goals of their Master Teacher. All mentors must be available for mentor training and YMS boot camp in August (dates TBD).

Why should you apply to be a Practice Mentor?

- You will get to work with children and share your love of music with them
- You will have the opportunity to give back to your community by mentoring younger students who do not have access to a private teacher
- You will gain teaching experiences while working with Master Studio teachers
- You can get service hours that count towards MYA or other organizations

Who are we looking for?

- All applicants must be upcoming 11th or 12th grade students for the 2020-2021 year, in high school, and string players in Symphony or Concert Orchestra.
- Applicants should be confident musicians who can be dynamic mentors
- Applicants who are interested in pursuing degrees in education (music and nonmusic) or pedagogy are desired, but all applications will be considered

What do you have to do to join?

- Make sure you are available to teach Tuesday evenings 6-8 PM for at least one hour.
- Fill out the attached form; please include a paragraph about why you want to participate as a Practice Mentor.
- If you have been a member of MYA for a year or less, you must also include a recommendation from your private lesson teacher or your school orchestra teacher.

Good luck and I look forward to working with you in the fall. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Dr. D at allandennis@mya.org
Registration Form

Please complete this form and return it to the MYAC office.

Student name: ___________________________________________ Year in School (20-21): ____

Primary Instrument: ___________________________ Secondary Instrument: __________________

Phone number (home): _________________________ (cell): _________________________________

Address: __________________________________________ City: ___________________________

Parent 1 Name: ___________________________ Parent 2 Name: ___________________________

Email (please print clearly): ________________________@___________________________

Private Lesson Teacher: ________________________ Phone: ___________________________

Please write a paragraph to explain why you would like to participate in YMS as a mentor. How do you plan to apply this experience in the future?

(you can attach a separate sheet)

I have read the information regarding the Young Music Scholars Mentor Program and I agree that I will be able to attend all the mentor sessions.

Student’s signature: ___________________________ Date: ___________________________

Parent’s signature: ___________________________ Date: ___________________________

Please fill out this form and return it to the MYAC office ASAP. If you have been in MYAC for a year or less, please submit a recommendation from your private instructor or school music director.