

Lakes Region Youth Orchestra

Personal Commitment to Musical Excellence

2011 - 2012 Contract

LRYO Attendance Policy

1. I understand that membership in LRYO involves a commitment on my part to participate in all concerts. Failure to do so may result in suspension from the organization for the remainder of the orchestra year and possible ineligibility for the next concert year. **Any conflicts with concert dates must be submitted in writing to the appropriate conductor 30 days prior to the concert date.**
2. I further understand that I must attend all rehearsals. If I have more than three unexcused absences in one semester, I may be asked by the Music Director to re-audition to remain in the orchestra.
3. **Any excused or unexcused absence should be reported to the administrator or parent manager prior to the absence.** This includes absences that involve more than one LRYO student; **each student is personally responsible for contacting the office to report an absence.**
4. In case of sickness or emergency situations, please contact the office once you are able.
5. Musicians who arrive more than 30 minutes late or leave early may receive half of an absence.
6. The musician is responsible for the material covered during the missed rehearsal (**including announcements**), and should contact the stand partner prior to the next rehearsal. When a musician holds a principal part, arrangements should be made for the music to be delivered to the rehearsal.

Code of Conduct Agreement

I have read and agree to the rules of conduct, as defined in the current year's *LRYO Student Handbook* (available on-line or by request), while at LRYO rehearsals, concerts, and while representing LRYO at special events. In summary, I:

- Will arrive on time for tuning, prepared for rehearsal/concert (music, pencil, stand, accessories, etc.)
- Will use respectful and appropriate language at all times
- Will avoid unnecessary talking during rehearsals
- Will not eat or drink during rehearsals, except at designated time and location
- Will not use cell phones (voice, text, or games) during rehearsals, except during break time.
- Will not use drugs, alcohol, or tobacco
- Will not leave rehearsal early without express permission of the conductor and written explanation from a parent
- Will show respect for the Castleton State College facilities and treat the rehearsal spaces and equipment with care
- Will refrain from any form of bullying, intimidation or harassment
- Will commit to practicing during the week to be as prepared as possible for rehearsals.

Failure on the part of any student to behave in an appropriate manner may result in that student's dismissal from the LRYO organization, at the discretion of the Music Director. In the case of dismissal, no refund of tuition will be made.

Sheet Music

Music is loaned to each member and must be handled with great care. (One set of parts for one piece of music can cost the orchestra over \$200). Folders and music must be checked out at the beginning of the semester and checked in at the end of the semester. If music is lost, damaged and/or not returned, the musician will be assessed \$5.00 per piece. **FOLDERS WITH ORIGINAL PARTS MUST BE USED ON EACH STAND FOR ALL CONCERTS.**

HONORS STRINGS: One musician per stand will be issued original music and one will be issued a practice folder. The correct bowings will appear on the practice folder and the stand partners have a joint responsibility to see that the bowings are transferred onto the original parts **IN PENCIL** within the first three rehearsals.

Student Signature _____ Parent Signature _____ Date _____

Consent and Release Agreement

I understand that LRYO Orchestra activities may be recorded and photographed for later use. I hereby consent to the use of my likeness and/or recordings from rehearsals, concerts and other activities, with or without the use of my name and without remuneration by LRYO.

Musician Signature _____ **Date** _____

Parent Signature _____ **Date** _____

School Music Program

It is expected by LRYO that students will continue to participate in their school music groups. Please place a check by any school music groups in which you participate:

- Concert Band Chorus Marching Band Orchestra Jazz Band
 Other: _____

I do not participate in my school music program because _____

Tuition Policy

1. LRYO is a non-profit organization that makes every effort to keep its tuition as low as possible while still covering our own expenses.
2. I understand that all fees must be paid within two weeks following the first attended rehearsal for each respective semester. A \$10 late fee will be assessed for fees not paid 30 days after the billing date.
3. Financial help is available and may be applied for at the beginning of the semester. Any scholarship applications, or proof thereof, must be completed and submitted by the billing date to LRYO or full tuition will be assessed. Contact the LRYO office for further information (info@lryo.org).
4. If tuition has not been paid and no satisfactory attempt has been made to make financial arrangements, the student may be asked to leave the organization.

Parent Signature _____ **Date** _____

Medical Authorization Form

It is my understanding that, if medical problems arise, during LRYO activities, every effort will be made to contact parents or guardians before any action is taken. In the event, however, that we cannot be reached and immediate action or treatment is judged necessary, I hereby authorize LRYO to arrange for any such appropriate medical and/or dental treatment. I further agree to pay for any and all such treatment. Please note that students will not be transported in a private car, but an ambulance will be called to transport the student.

Parent Signature _____ **Date** _____

Insurance Company _____ **Name of Subscriber** _____

Allergies/Other conditions _____

Emergency contact (if parents are unavailable) _____

Phone _____