



# 2018-2019 STUDENT/PARENT CONTRACT

Philharmonic | *Fabian Saldaña, conductor*

**PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING POLICY STATEMENTS.**

**Sign this copy and return to the Education Manager. *By signing and returning this copy, it means you have read and are familiar with all policies in the 2018-2019 Membership Handbook.***

## I. ATTENDANCE POLICY

Musicians are expected to make Amarillo Symphony Youth Orchestra rehearsals, dress rehearsals, and concerts a priority. *Consistent attendance is necessary for the development of a quality musical experience.*

**Musicians are granted no more than two (2) absences per semester. Two (2) tardies shall constitute one absence.** This includes any absence (*illness, school or other music activities, family vacation, homework and tests, college visits, religious holidays, etc.*). Absences will not be marked excused or unexcused, but simply as an absence. Conductors reserve the right to dismiss a musician from an ensemble due to lack of commitment as demonstrated by attendance.

**Absences from dress rehearsals are not allowed. Missing the dress rehearsal for concerts will result in forfeiting the right to play that concert. *If you have a conflict, please address it with the Education Manager.***

Please list the dates of any ASYO rehearsals that your child will miss this season:

**Fall**

**Spring**

1. \_\_\_\_\_

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2. \_\_\_\_\_

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## II. TUITION

**Tuition is due at the start of the season.** All payments received by the ASYO may be made:

- by **check** or **money order** payable to the **Amarillo Symphony**; include musician's full name (*first & last*) and ensemble (*Philharmonic*) in the memo line.
- **online with a debit/credit card** – [www.AmarilloSymphony.org](http://www.AmarilloSymphony.org) – follow **Education** → **Youth Orchestra Programs** (*FULL tuition payments only*).

**TUITION: \$250/season -or- \$125/semester.** (*Tuition is non-refundable.*)

**ASYO is a commitment to the development of each musician. Therefore, even if a student discontinues participation mid-semester in the ASYO, families are still responsible for unpaid tuition.**

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**IMPORTANT:** *If full payment cannot be made and a deposit is necessary, please visit with the Education Manager. Tuition assistance and payment plans are available to families that qualify. All requests must be submitted by **Monday, September 24, 2018** for full consideration.*

*All members will be eligible for need-based financial aid. No student accepted into the ASYO will be excluded from the program because of financial need. **All members that receive tuition assistance are expected to maintain excellent attendance and participate for the full year.***

### III. **CODE OF CONDUCT**

Amarillo Symphony Youth Orchestra musicians are ambassadors for the organization, and the behavior of each musician reflects upon the entire group. Each student will be expected to use good manners, display common courtesy, and show consideration for others. A successful ASYO experience requires a cohesive group in which each individual accepts and follows the same standards of behavior.

### IV. **SCHOOL PARTICIPATION**

ASYO is designed to complement local school instrumental programs. As such, Amarillo Symphony Youth Orchestra members are expected to participate in their school's corresponding instrumental ensemble or music organization, provided there is one.

Home/private/charter school students are all eligible for membership in ASYO. Where a school ensemble is not available, private lessons are highly recommended.

### V. **OWNERSHIP RIGHT**

The Amarillo Symphony owns and retains the rights to use any photographs or audio/video recordings.

I, *(student name)* \_\_\_\_\_, as a participating student of the Amarillo Symphony Youth Orchestra program, have read the **Student/Parent Contract** and the **ASYO Membership Handbook**, and agree to accept them as a condition of being a member of the Amarillo Symphony Youth Orchestra. I realize that if I fail to follow any of these policies, I may be dismissed from ASYO.

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*Student Signature*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Parent Signature*

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*Today's Date*

*Return this contract to the Education Manager at the next ASYO rehearsal...*

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*Mail to: Amarillo Symphony | P.O. Box 2586 | Amarillo, TX 79105-2586*