

Salem Youth Symphony Code of Conduct

While attending SYS rehearsals or during SYS-sponsored activities, students are expected to follow these basic rules, procedures, and expectations:

1. Your first priority is to learn. Avoid distractions that interfere with or are counter-intuitive to that mission.
2. Be in the assigned place with appropriate materials, ready to work at the designated time that rehearsal begins.
3. Keep hands, feet, and objects to yourself and never intentionally harm another student.
4. Use appropriate language and behavior at all times while maintaining friendly and courteous behavior.
5. Be polite and conduct yourself in a respectful manner towards everyone including conductors, section coaches, SYS representatives, designated chaperones, fellow musicians and visitors.
6. Follow instructions, class rules, and expectations at all times.
7. Do not be a bully. If you see someone being bullied, intervene by telling them to stop or immediately report it to an SYS representative.
8. Do not become a distraction for others. Give every other student the opportunity to maximize their potential. Encourage your fellow students. Never tear them down.
9. Cell phones are considered a distraction during rehearsals, instruction and concerts, and should only be used during designated break times.
10. Represent yourself in a manner that you will be proud of in ten years. You only get one opportunity to get life right. Take advantage of the opportunities you have at school. They will help you be successful throughout your life.

Failure to follow SYS expectations and conduct policies may be grounds for dismissal without refund of tuition.