



# NORWALK YOUTH SYMPHONY

## CORONAVIRUS/COVID-19 SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS, ASSUMPTION OF RISK AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY

While Norwalk Youth Symphony (NYS) intends to take certain preventative measures against the spread of COVID-19 at in-person rehearsals and concerts during the 2021-2022 season, NYS cannot guarantee that you or your student will not become infected. We will do our part, but you must do yours. To that end, all parents must read, acknowledge and attest to the following policies and requirements on behalf of themselves and their students who participate in NYS in-person rehearsals and concerts:

- Face coverings must be worn at all times. Woodwind and Brass Players must wear the appropriate mask and have bell covers as required for their instrument.
- If a student is at least 12 years old, a proof of full COVID-19 vaccination must be provided before attending the first in-person rehearsal or if a student is vaccinated at a later time, prior to attending the next in-person rehearsal or event.
- If a student is 12 or older but is not fully vaccinated, he or she must submit a negative PCR test result from a test taken within 72 hours before each in-person rehearsal or event. The negative test result must be submitted before such rehearsal or event or upon arrival each week.
- Once vaccinations for students 12 and under are approved or authorized for emergency use by the FDA, a student will have to comply with either the vaccine or negative PCR requirements described above within 2 months thereafter.
- Within the last 10 days prior to each rehearsal or concert:
  - the student has NOT had any close contact with anyone who is either confirmed or suspected of being infected with COVID-19, including anyone who was experiencing or displaying any of the known symptoms of COVID-19 (which are listed below), OR
  - if the student HAS had close contact with someone who is either confirmed or suspected of being infected with COVID-19:
    - since the date of close contact, the student has been isolated, has not had COVID-19 symptoms, and has gotten a negative COVID-19 test result from a diagnostic PCR test taken on day 5, 6, or 7 following the student's close contact;
    - OR, the student is fully vaccinated (i.e.,  $\geq 2$  weeks following receipt of the second dose in a 2-dose series, or  $\geq 2$  weeks following receipt of one dose of a single-dose vaccine) and has remained asymptomatic since the current COVID-19 exposure.
- The student has NOT tested positive for COVID-19 in the past 10 days.
- The student does NOT currently experience or display, and the student has NOT in the last 10 days experienced or displayed, any of the following COVID-19 symptoms:
  - Elevated temperature or fever of 100.4°F or higher
  - Cough
  - Shortness of breath and/or difficulty breathing
  - The student does NOT currently have and has NOT experienced in the past 10 days any two (2) of the following symptoms:
    - Chills
    - Repeated shaking with chills
    - Muscle/Body Aches
    - Headache
    - Sore throat



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- New loss of taste or smell
- Congestion or runny nose
- Nausea or vomiting
- Diarrhea
- Fatigue

**YOUR COMPLIANCE WITH THE ABOVE STATEMENTS, POLICIES AND REQUIREMENTS IS YOUR ONGOING OBLIGATION AND RESPONSIBILITY. BY SIGNING BELOW, YOU AGREE, AFFIRM AND ATTEST THAT EVERY TIME YOUR STUDENT ATTENDS AN IN-PERSON REHEARSAL OR A CONCERT YOU WILL COMPLY WITH THE ABOVE STATEMENTS, POLICIES AND REQUIREMENTS AND YOU WILL CONFIRM THAT YOUR STUDENT HAS NOT EXPERIENCED ANY OF THE COVID-19 SYMPTOMS LISTED ABOVE PRIOR TO ATTENDING ANY SUCH IN-PERSON REHEARSAL OR CONCERT. YOU ALSO AGREE TO READ AND REVIEW THE COVID-19 SAFETY PROTOCOLS PROVIDED TO YOU BY NYS WITH YOUR STUDENT(S) AND AGREE TO ABIDE BY THEM AT ALL TIMES.**

Furthermore, by signing individually and on behalf of your student below, you acknowledge the contagious nature of COVID-19 and voluntarily assume the risk that you or your student may be exposed to or infected by COVID-19 by attending an NYS in-person rehearsal or concert and that such exposure or infection may in some cases result in personal injury, illness, disability or death, among other consequences. You also understand and agree that NYS shall in no way be responsible to you or your student for any costs, expenses, liabilities or personal injury, illness, disability or death due to you or your student being infected with COVID-19 at any NYS in-person rehearsal or concert even if such infection may have resulted from the actions, omissions, or negligence of NYS, including, but not limited to, its employees, staff, members of the NYS board of directors, volunteers or other agents and representatives (collectively, “NYS Agents”).

You voluntarily agree to assume all of the foregoing risks and accept sole responsibility for any injury (including, but not limited to, personal injury, disability, and death), illness, damage, loss, claim, liability, or expense, of any kind, that you and your student may experience or incur in connection with your or your student’s attendance at any NYS in-person rehearsal or concert (“Claims”). On your behalf, and on behalf of your student, you hereby release, covenant not to sue, discharge, and hold harmless NYS and any NYS Agent of and from the Claims, including all liabilities, claims, actions, damages, costs or expenses of any kind arising out of or relating thereto. YOU UNDERSTAND AND AGREE THAT THIS RELEASE INCLUDES ANY CLAIMS BASED ON THE ACTIONS, OMISSIONS, OR NEGLIGENCE OF NYS AND NYS AGENTS, whether a COVID-19 infection occurs before, during or after participation in any NYS in-person rehearsal or concert.

Is/are the NYS Student(s) 12 years of age or older? \_\_\_\_\_

Full name of the NYS Student: \_\_\_\_\_

Full name of the NYS Student’s Parent or Guardian signing below: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to the student: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_