

## Cheyenne Youth Symphony Expectations

**Attendance:** Membership in the Cheyenne Youth Symphony is a commitment to consistent and punctual attendance.

Each student will be allowed 2 absences per concert. Students will not be allowed to play in the concert if they have 3 or more absences. Parents can talk with Mrs. Willhite about any extenuating circumstances. These expectations will be enforced.

If a student needs to miss or arrive late to a rehearsal, the director must be notified prior to the rehearsal. Please call or text the director, Jaylene Willhite at 307-757-5451.

\*If a student misses a rehearsal for a sports event and this conflict arises again, the student will be expected to miss the sports event for the rehearsal.

Attendance at **Dress Rehearsals** is required in order to play the concert. All students are required to attend the dress rehearsal for each concert. The dress rehearsal is the last practice before the concert. Students do not need to wear their uniform for the dress rehearsal.

## Procedures

- Students who are members of the CYS are required to participate in their school orchestra program
- Rehearsals require the very best in conduct, appearance, and musicianship.
- Please arrive to rehearsal on time. If you arrive 15 minutes or more late it will be considered as an absence.
- Please sit in your seats when the rehearsal begins so you are ready to be tuned.
- To be successful, you must bring your instrument and music for every rehearsal.
- Once the rehearsal has started you need to refrain from talking and playing without permission.
- You will make better progress in your playing abilities with correct posture.
- During rehearsals, performances, and concerts you must follow all instructions given by the Artistic Director.
- Students are expected to practice music assigned at home and come to each rehearsal prepared.
- No food or drink (except water) is allowed at rehearsals.
- Keep fingernails trimmed below the tip of the finger. Long fingernails can affect intonation and damage the finger board. Students who choose to not abide by the fingernail rule will not be allowed to play the concert.
- Students need to be picked up within 15 minutes of the end of the rehearsal.