



SCHOLARSHIP POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

The San Luis Obispo Youth Symphony believes that no child should be denied the opportunity to participate because of a lack of ability to pay the tuition. Partial scholarships are provided to families who need financial assistance. In order to be fair to all families, the following policies have been developed for granting scholarships.

1. Each family is **responsible for the first \$50.00 per child of tuition**, regardless of the ensemble in which they play. This commitment fee should be submitted with the scholarship application.
2. The tuition less \$50.00 commitment fee will be the maximum scholarship that can be awarded per year.

Example:

Academy Strings Tuition:	\$575
Commitment fee:	<u>\$-50</u>
Amount considered for scholarship:	<u>\$525</u>

3. The scholarship committee will review all applications and scholarships will be determined based on individual needs and a sliding scale. Families will be notified of their scholarship award in time to make their first tuition payment in October.
4. Remaining tuition not covered by scholarship is payable in three monthly payments due October, January and March.
5. Each family wishing to apply for a scholarship must do so annually; applications and commitment fee are due by the first Parent Meeting (October 3rd).
6. Families with more than one Youth Symphony musician are given the 10% multi-student discount.
7. Families receiving scholarships are expected to volunteer throughout the year as requested.
8. Scholarship recipients will be evaluated during the year for attendance, evidence of individual progress, and attitude. If a musician exhibits lack of preparation, interest, or motivation, the scholarship may be reconsidered.

Yearly Tuition:

Orchestra \$575 ▪ Academy Orchestra \$575 ▪ Symphonic Winds \$520 ▪ Preparatory Strings \$405 ▪ SuperBows \$300

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION • 2011-2012

Please complete this scholarship form and return it to the San Luis Obispo Youth Symphony.
Scholarship applications must be received by the Parent Meeting on October 3, 2011.

Student's Name: _____

Home Address: _____

City/State _____ Zip: _____ Phone: _____

School: _____ Grade: _____

Father's Name: _____ Occupation _____

Address, if different _____ Work Ph. _____

Mother's Name: _____ Occupation _____

Address, if different _____ Work Ph. _____

Monthly Family Income (net): \$ _____ Number of children in family _____

Type of family assistance (i.e. AFDC), if any _____

Is either parent a full-time student? _____ Part-time Student? _____

Why does your child want to participate in the Youth Symphony? _____

What kind of commitment will there be to attendance and practicing? _____

What kind of hardship it would be if your child did not receive a scholarship? _____

What can you afford to pay toward your child's tuition (above and beyond the \$50 commitment fee)? _____

IF YOU HAVE ANY OTHER INFORMATION YOU FEEL WOULD BE AN IMPORTANT FACTOR IN DETERMINING YOUR CHILD'S NEED FOR A SCHOLARSHIP, PLEASE EXPLAIN ON A SEPARATE SHEET.

Scholarship Agreement: I understand that if my child receives a scholarship, it will be awarded contingent upon this application which will be reviewed by the Youth Symphony Scholarship Committee. I further understand that the awarded scholarship will be contingent upon the quality of my child's participation and positive attitude; that if my child receives a scholarship, I will be required to volunteer for events throughout the year as requested.

_____ I understand and agree to the conditions stated above.

_____ I agree to volunteer my time to help as requested.

Parent/Guardian signature

Date