



Midwest Young Artists

Young Music Scholars & Young Music Scholars Mentors

You are invited to participate in a special opportunity at MYA, and we need **you** to make it work. We are looking for new Practice Mentors for the Young Music Scholars (YMS) program, which selects students from underserved schools to join MYA for orchestra and small group lessons.

We are looking for upcoming **11th and 12th Grade Symphony Orchestra string players for the 2015-2016 school year** to join as Practice Mentors who will be responsible for guiding the YMS students in their weekly sessions at MYA. This is a great opportunity to gain teaching experience as you provide weekly practice session with YMS students in working on the goals of their Master Teacher. **All mentors must be available for mentor training and YMS boot camp on August 18 and 19 from 3:30-6:00 PM, and on August 20 from 4:30-8 PM.**

Why should **you** apply to be a Practice Mentor?

- You will get to work with children and share your love of music with them
- You will have the opportunity to give back to your community by mentoring younger students who do not have access to a private teacher
- You will gain teaching experiences while working with Master Studio teachers
- You can get service hours that count towards MYA or other organizations

Who are we looking for?

- All applicants must be upcoming 11th or 12th grade students for the 2015-2016 year, in high school, and string players in Symphony or Concert Orchestra.
- Applicants should be confident musicians who can be dynamic mentors
- Applicants who are interested in pursuing degrees in education (music and non-music) or pedagogy are desired, but all applications will be considered)

What do **you** have to do to join?

- Make sure you are available to teach Tuesday evenings 6-7 PM.
- Fill out the attached form; please include a paragraph about why you want to participate as a Practice Mentor.
- **If you have been a member of MYA for a year or less, you must also include a recommendation from your private lesson teacher or your school orchestra teacher.**

Good luck and I look forward to working with you in the fall. If you have any questions please feel free to contact Dr. D at allandennis@mya.org.

*****If you have been in MYA for 1 year or less please submit a recommendation from your private instructor or your school music teacher.*****

I have read the above information regarding the Young Musician Scholars Mentor program, and I agree that I will be able to attend all mentor sessions.

Student's signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent's signature: _____ Date: _____

Please fill out this form and return it to The Office ASAP.

Please return the whole form (including recommendation if a member for less than 1 year) to the MYA Center.

If you have any questions contact Allan Dennis at AllanDennis@mya.org