Spokane Youth Symphony (SYS) COVID-19 Protocol

COVID-19 Protocols for Spokane Youth Symphony In-Person Events

The COVID-19 crisis requires the Spokane Youth Symphony to adjust our orchestra rehearsals and any other in-person events in the following ways:

1. No student, volunteer, or staff member should attend an in-person SYS event if that person has any of the following possible signs of COVID-19:
   - Fever or chills
   - Cough
   - Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
   - Fatigue
   - Muscle or body aches
   - Headache
   - New loss of taste or smell

2. At the entrance of each SYS event, an SYS volunteer or staff member will take the temperatures of each student, volunteer, and staff member using a non-contact infrared thermometer. Any individual who has a temperature of 100.4 or higher will not be allowed to attend the SYS event. Parents/guardians will need to provide transportation for their child/ward in the event there is a high temperature reading.

3. Masks and social distancing will be required for all students, volunteers, and staff members in conformance with applicable Washington State and Spokane County guidelines. UPDATED INFORMATION AS OF 10/2/20: Wind and brass players who participate in-person are being required to use specific masks made for these players and bell covers are also required to avoid transmission of the virus.

4. Wind and brass players will empty water on absorbent “puppy pads” provided by SYS.

5. Students should bring and use only their own water bottle.

6. In order to accomplish social distancing requirements, sub-groups from our orchestras will rehearse in-person on a rotating basis while the rest of the orchestra members will participate from home via a live stream.

7. SYS will provide live stream options for individuals who prefer this option or are unable to attend in-person SYS events.

8. Parents/guardians agree to communicate these protocols to their child/ward.

9. This protocol is subject to change in conformance with changes in laws, orders, or guidelines from government authorities or health agencies.