

# Pinellas Youth Symphony

## Celebrating Its 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

Needs your support for the 2017-2018 Season!

The **Pinellas Youth Symphony** (PYS) is an organization founded in 1958 by music educators to promote the music development of children in our community. Our students benefit from a qualified professional staff with a challenge to train talented young musicians in the finest techniques of orchestral and ensemble performance.

Our programs include the **Pinellas Youth Symphony**, our flagship orchestra, for advanced musicians; the **Serenade Strings** for advanced string musicians; the **Pinellas Youth Philharmonic**, for intermediate to advanced string, wind, and percussion players; **Symphonic Strings**, an ensemble for advanced beginner to early intermediate string players. In addition, PYS offers a full **Chamber Music Ensemble** program.

PYS enjoys strong relationships with the top music educators and instrumentalists in the Tampa Bay area. Our conductors and coaches are drawn from the Pinellas County Schools and professional orchestras such as The Florida Orchestra.

Approximately **35%** of the funding for PYS comes from **tuition paid by students**. In an effort to make this opportunity affordable for the majority of students, **65% of the remaining funds must come from other sources such as grants and contributions**. The PYS program contributes towards the making of fine young citizens. Music gives children something positive and constructive to do with their time, and the rewards will stay with them throughout their lifetime.

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### The Pinellas Youth Symphony Adopt-A-Student Program

Dear \_\_\_\_\_

I am a member of the Pinellas Youth Symphony and play in the \_\_\_\_\_. You can be my sponsor by making a contribution of part or all of the "supplementary cost" of my musical instruction in PYS. These are the approximate costs that tuition does not cover for one student for one season in the following programs:

- \$325 – Pinellas Youth Symphony or Serenade Strings**
- \$275 – Pinellas Youth Philharmonic**
- \$225 – Symphonic Strings**
- \$175 – Chamber Ensembles**
- \$175 – String Consort or Beginning Strings**

**A donation of any amount is greatly appreciated. Thank you for your generous support!**

Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Total Contribution: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Donor's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Donor's Address: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please mail to PYS, P.O. Box 4106 Seminole, Fl. 33775-4106**

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