



MYPO Guidelines  
2018-2019

In order for the MYPO Philharmonic Orchestra to be successful, it is necessary to implement guidelines and to be clear on the standards of excellence we want to instill to be the best orchestra possible. This will take a commitment from every single person in the orchestra. The ideas may seem rigid right now, however, they are in place to make the most of our rehearsal time on Saturdays. We only have one rehearsal per week which is very minimal. If we do our very best to uphold these standards, I have no doubt that in addition to playing beautiful music, we will gain a new camaraderie in the orchestra. We will become a family!

- 1) Each student should be at the rehearsal site 10 minutes beforehand and in their seat warming up and tuning 5 minutes prior to the start time. Rehearsal will start promptly at 9 a.m. or whatever the designated time is on that day. If you are late, come anyway! You are IMPORTANT! We need you and we want you to be with us!
- 2) If possible, please download a tuner and metronome on your phone so it is always available. There are many free apps available. Once you are unpacked, please tune before the rehearsal begins so you can take your time. We will tune once at the beginning of the rehearsal, however, that is more of a "check" to be sure we are all in tune.
- 3) Each student is allowed 3 absences per semester. Please notify me, or the conductor that you will be missing a rehearsal as soon as possible. Please do not wait until the day of, to inform the conductor of something you knew about weeks in advance. The rehearsal dates will be posted on the website.
- 4) Out of courtesy and respect for each one another, it is imperative that you work to positively contribute to the orchestra, which of course means practicing your music between rehearsals. We have to "own" this orchestra together and make it the best we can in every way.
- 5) If you have any questions or problems, please let me know. You can text me at 808-283-6723 or email me at [mypomaui@gmail.com](mailto:mypomaui@gmail.com). Texting is the best!
- 6) OTHER \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ YES, I am committed to doing all I can to the best of my ability to help the Philharmonic Orchestra be the best orchestra possible.

\_\_\_\_\_ NO, I am sorry but I can not make a commitment to the orchestra this year.

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(Name of Student)

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(Date)