

SYS Tour Code of Conduct

Membership in the Spokane Youth Symphony is an honor and a privilege. As the individual orchestras embark on local and interstate tours, it is expected that every individual connected with the Spokane Youth Symphony will adhere to the highest standards of personal and professional conduct. As representatives of SYS, students must be respectful, kind, and courteous at all times, especially towards directors, chaperones, and hosting individuals and entities. In addition to the Code of Conduct found in the SYS Handbook, each SYS student participating in the tour will abide by the following Code of Conduct:

Expectations

1. Students are expected to respect and follow the directions of the directors and chaperones at all times and be ready to participate in the scheduled activities at the times set forth.
2. Students are not permitted to possess, consume, transmit, sell, be in the presence of and/or use non-prescribed or illegal drugs, alcohol, or tobacco. Non-alcoholic beer, tobacco-less chewing products, etc., will be treated the same as real alcohol or tobacco products.
3. Students are prohibited from use of obscene or vulgar language, and from viewing or sharing inappropriate material using electronic or other media.
4. Students will not steal or use another's property without permission.
5. Students engaging in any willful or overt act that will embarrass or detract from the group will jeopardize further participation in any/all components of the program.
6. A student is expected to travel to and from the performances and activities with the group.
7. Equipment, instruments, and personal belongings are the participants' responsibility. Students are responsible for making sure all belongings, etc. are loaded and unloaded from the bus throughout the trip.
8. Students shall refrain from affectionate or otherwise contact with others. Hand-holding and brief friendly hugs are OK.

Consequences for Expectation Violations

Each violation will be evaluated on its own merits. All violations will result in a text/phone call to parents. Consequences may include:

1. A warning
2. Increased check-ins with chaperones
3. Early return from the tour at student's personal expense
4. Restriction from future tour participation