

Concert Guidelines for Teachers

Before the Concert

- Please prepare your students using the DSO Teacher's Guide and related materials on www.DSOkids.com
- Students should be briefed on concert etiquette in advance.
- Please contact Malori Fuchs at 214.871.4006 at least 48 hours before the concert if your group includes any students or teachers with special needs, including wheelchairs or hearing impaired students requiring infra-red headsets.
- Changes to a reservation must be made at least two days before your Youth Concert experience.

Day of the Concert

- Before leaving school, please allow time for students to visit the restroom.
- Learn your bus driver's name and be sure you can recognize her/him.
- Plan to arrive at the Meyerson at least 30 minutes before concert time.
- Write down your bus driver's cell phone number in case of an emergency.
- All students should be in their seats at least five minutes before concert time.
- An organ demonstration starts seven minutes before the concert—you won't want to miss that. It's always a favorite with the students!
- No food or drink, including chewing gum, is permitted in the concert hall.

Upon Arrival at the Meyerson (Bus arrivals only)

- **DO NOT UNLOAD YOUR BUS UNTIL YOU ARE GREETED BY A DSO STAFF MEMBER.**
- Upon your arrival, you will be greeted by a DSO Staff Member who will give you a DSO bus number. This DSO bus number is given to help ease the bus pick-up process after Youth Concerts. Memorize your DSO bus number.
- After unloading your bus, you will be greeted by a volunteer in the main lobby; a volunteer will guide your group to your seating area. Seating sections are assigned on the basis of group size.
- All students should be in their seats at least ten minutes before concert time.

During the Concert

- The use of cameras and recorders is prohibited.
- Students and teachers should remain in their seats for the entire concert.
- Restrooms are located on all levels and should be used for urgent needs only. If students must visit the restroom, please have an adult accompany them.
- Students not maintaining acceptable standards of behavior will be asked to leave, and may jeopardize their school's future attendance at DSO events.

After the Concert

- Dismissal instructions will be given from the stage.
- Please remain in your seats until your school is dismissed.
- Upon dismissal, listen carefully and follow instructions for departing the building.
- Make sure you know your DSO bus number.
- **Note to large school groups:** Please do not allow entire classes a trip to the bathroom. Doing so slows the dismissal and bus loading process down considerably.

Back at School

- Refer to www.DSOkids.com for follow-up co-curricular activities.
- Student letters/artwork expressing reactions to the concert are appreciated.

Please send letters or artwork to:
Dallas Symphony Orchestra
Attn: Youth Concerts
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Dallas, TX 75201
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