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**FAYETTEVILLE SYMPHONY YOUTH ORCHESTRA  
REGISTRATION NOW OPEN - DEADLINE: SEPTEMBER 1, 2017**

The Fayetteville Symphony Youth Orchestra (FSYO) is now accepting applications for their 2017-2018 year. FSYO is open to any instrumental student that is a rising 8th grade, high school, or college age student that has experience playing one of the following instruments: Violin, Viola, Cello, Double Bass, Flute, Oboe, Clarinet, Bassoon, Saxophone, French Horn, Trumpet, Trombone, Tuba, or Percussion.

This past year, FSYO had over 60 students from all over the Fayetteville region and beyond from public, private, and home school. It is led and conducted by Dr. Larry Wells, Professor of Trumpet and Director of Instrumental Studies at Methodist University, with String Coach, Mr. Nate Leyland, Principal Cellist of the Fayetteville Symphony Orchestra and NC Opera. FSYO consists of three ensembles: Concert Band, String Orchestra, and Full Orchestra. All students participate in either Concert Band or String Orchestra, with Full Orchestra by audition only. FSYO does not exclude any student from participating in the program, but does require a seating audition at the beginning of the year in order to properly place each student based on their ability level.

FSYO meets every Sunday at Fayetteville Academy from 4pm-6pm. Concert Band and String Orchestra rehearse from 4pm-4:50pm, and Full Orchestra rehearses from 5pm-6pm.

Perks of joining FSYO include: playing alongside students from other schools, receive instruction from professional musicians, perform a joint concert alongside the Fayetteville Symphony Orchestra, receive complimentary student tickets to FSO concerts, and attend special social events with members of FSYO only.

Registration deadline for the 2017-2018 year is September 1st.  
To apply, visit: [www.fayettevillesymphony.org/youth-orchestra](http://www.fayettevillesymphony.org/youth-orchestra)

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The Fayetteville Symphony Orchestra, founded in 1956, is the longest standing performing arts agency in Fayetteville, NC. It is a professional, regional orchestra whose mission is to educate, entertain, and inspire the citizens of the Fayetteville, North Carolina region as the leading musical resource. Praised for its artistic excellence, the symphony leads in the cultural and educational landscape for Fayetteville and the southeastern North Carolina region.



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