



Welcome to Vermont Youth Strings (VYS)!

Please print out this schedule & mark your calendars with these dates

2021-22 VYS DATES & INFORMATION

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Please contact [Mia Fritze](#) with any questions you may have regarding participation in VYS. The best form of communication will be via email as Operations staff members do not hold regular office hours.

Seating & Excerpt recordings: VYS seating rotates within sections each week until the last few weeks leading up to the Concerts. Seating charts are set out at each rehearsal. Once in the Fall and once in the Spring, VYS students will record a set of predetermined excerpts from the VYS music they are working on. This will take place during regular VYS rehearsals & will help determine seating order for the Concerts. Aside from principal seats, the seating order is not hierarchical.

VYS Fall 2021 Schedule: All rehearsals take place at Elley-Long Music Center

Sunday Rehearsal times: 3:30pm – 5:45pm in the Orchestra Room; students are expected to arrive no later than 3:15pm so that they may tune & be ready to rehearse at 3:30pm.

WED, Aug 18 & THURS, Aug 19	VYS Camp 9am-3pm at Elley-Long Music Center (All VYS students are expected to attend)
Sun, Sept 12	Rehearsal, students arrive by 3:15pm
Sun, Sept 19	Rehearsal, students arrive by 3:15pm
Sun, Sept 26	Rehearsal, students arrive by 3:15pm
Sun, Oct 3	Rehearsal, students arrive by 3:15pm
Sun, Oct 10	Rehearsal, students arrive by 3:15pm
Sun, Oct 17	<i>NO Rehearsal (VYO Concert)</i>
Sun, Oct 24	Rehearsal, students arrive by 3:15pm
Sun, Oct 31	Rehearsal, students arrive by 3:15pm
Sun, Nov 7	Rehearsal, students arrive by 3:15pm
Sun, Nov 14	Rehearsal, students arrive by 3:15pm
Sun, Nov 21	Rehearsal, students arrive by 3:15pm
Sun, Nov 28	<i>NO Rehearsal (Thanksgiving break)</i>
Sun, Dec 5	Rehearsal, students arrive by 3:15pm
WED, Dec 8	VYS performance at the University Mall in South Burlington, 4:30pm arrival
SUN, DEC 12	Orchestrapalooza Concert (VYS, VYP, VYO) at the Flynn Center, 4pm Students will be needed as early as 1pm for dress rehearsal at the Flynn (Location is subject to change)

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VYS Spring 2021 Schedule:

Sun, Jan 9	Rehearsal, students arrive by 3:15pm
Sun, Jan 16	Rehearsal, students arrive by 3:15pm
Sun, Jan 23	Rehearsal, students arrive by 3:15pm
Sun, Jan 30	Rehearsal, students arrive by 3:15pm
Sun, Feb 6	Rehearsal, students arrive by 3:15pm
Sun, Feb 13	<i>NO Rehearsal (VYO Concert)</i>
Sun, Feb 20	Rehearsal, students arrive by 3:15pm
Sun, Feb 27	<i>NO Rehearsal (Winter Break)</i>
Sun, Mar 6	Rehearsal, students arrive by 3:15pm
Sun, Mar 13	Rehearsal, students arrive by 3:15pm
Sun, Mar 20	Rehearsal, students arrive by 3:15pm
Sun, Mar 27	Rehearsal, students arrive by 3:15pm
Week of March 28 – April 1	One day this week may be designated as a make-up rehearsal in the event of a weather-related cancelation during the spring semester. Exact date TBD <i>if needed.</i>
Sun, Apr 3	Rehearsal, students arrive by 3:15pm
Week of Apr 4-8	VYS School Tour (or recording session) – ONE day during this week will be the VYS school tour if we are allowed to go into schools or the recording session used to create a virtual school tour performance.
SAT, APR 9	VYS Spring Concert at Elley-Long Music Center, 2:30pm Please plan on arriving at 12:45pm for dress rehearsal

Attendance: VYS students are allowed 2 absences per semester. Missing VYS Camp counts as 1 absence for the Fall semester. Students who miss more than **2** rehearsals per semester may be asked to check-in with Ace Ali to make sure they are comfortable with their performance repertoire. The success of VYS is dependent upon the full participation of all members!

Students always need to bring the following to rehearsals & performances:

Instrument

VYS music

Pencil to mark their music

Cello/Bass students are required to use end pin covers or rock stops at all times