

West Virginia Youth Symphony 2026-2027 Season Calendar

Date	Time	Event	Location	Special Notes
AUGUST				
Wednesday, August 19		First Day of School		
Tuesday, August 25	4:00 pm	New Student Auditions	Horace Mann Middle School (HMMS)	
Monday, August 31	6:30 pm	First Rehearsal	HMMS	Parent Meeting!
SEPTEMBER				
Monday, September 7	-----	NO REHEARSAL	-----	Labor Day
Monday, September 14	6:30 pm	Rehearsal	HMMS	DUE: Student Information Forms
Monday, September 21	6:30 pm	Rehearsal	HMMS	DUE: Chamber Sign-ups
Monday, September 28	6:30 pm	Rehearsal	HMMS	DUE: School Participation Exemption Forms DUE: Financial Aid Request Form DUE: Concerto Competition Application; feedback received next week.
OCTOBER				
Monday, October 5	-----	NO REHEARSAL	-----	KCS Schools Closed
Monday, October 12	6:30 pm	WVYS Rehearsal	HMMS	
Monday, October `19	5:30 pm 6:30 pm	Chamber Rehearsal WVYS Rehearsal	HMMS	Chamber Starts!
Saturday, October 24	7:30 pm	WVSO: Ode to Joy	Clay Center	Attendance strongly encouraged! Student Musician Cards accepted!
Monday, October 26	5:30 pm 6:30 pm	Chamber Rehearsal WVYS Rehearsal	HMMS	DUE: Tuition Payment 1
NOVEMBER				
Monday, November 2	-----	NO REHEARSAL	-----	Election Day Preparation at HMMS
Saturday, November 7	7:30 pm	WVSO: Timeless Melodies	Clay Center	Student Musician Cards accepted! Attendance strongly encouraged!
Monday, November 9	5:30 pm 6:30 pm	Chamber Rehearsal WVYS Rehearsal	HMMS	DUE: Program Ads
Monday, November 16	5:30 pm 6:30 pm	Chamber Rehearsal WVYS Rehearsal	HMMS	
Saturday, November 21	7:30 pm	WVSO: Music Under the Stars	Clay Center	Student Musician Cards accepted! Attendance strongly encouraged!
Monday, November 23	-----	NO REHEARSAL	-----	Thanksgiving Break
Monday, November 30	5:30 pm 6:30 pm	Chamber Rehearsal WVYS Rehearsal	HMMS	

DECEMBER				
Saturday, December 5	2-3:30 pm	Cadets Dress Rehearsal	So. Chas. Middle School	
Saturday, December 5	7:30 pm	WVSO: Sounds of the Season	Clay Center	Student Musician Cards accepted! Attendance strongly encouraged!
Monday, December 7	4:30-5 pm 5-5:30 pm 5:30-6 pm 6:30 pm	YS Dress Rehearsal YW Dress Rehearsal YO Dress Rehearsal WINTER CONCERT	So. Chas. Middle School	
Tuesday, December 8	4:00 pm	New Student Auditions	HMMS	
Saturday, December 12	9:00 am	Concerto Competition	Kanawha United Presby.	Youth Orchestra students eligible only
Saturday, December 12	1:00 pm 7:30 pm	WVSO Concert: Nutcracker	Clay Center	Attendance strongly encouraged! Student Musician Cards <u>not</u> eligible for this concert!
Monday, December 14	-----	NO REHEARSAL	-----	
Saturday, December 19	7:30 pm	WVSO Concert: Home Alone	Clay Center	Attendance strongly encouraged! Student Musician Cards are eligible for this concert!

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Monday, December 21	-----	NO REHEARSAL	-----	Winter Break
Monday, December 28	-----	NO REHEARSAL	-----	Winter Break
JANUARY 2023				
Monday, January 4	5:30 pm 6:30 pm	Chamber Rehearsal WVYS Rehearsal	HMMS	DUE: Tuition Payment 2
Monday, January 11	5:30 pm 6:30 pm	Chamber Rehearsal WVYS Rehearsal	HMMS	
Monday, January 18	-----	NO REHEARSAL	-----	Martin Luther King Jr. Day
Monday, January 25	5:30 pm 6:30 pm	Chamber Rehearsal WVYS Rehearsal	HMMS	
FEBRUARY				
Monday, February 1	5:30 pm 6:30 pm	Chamber Rehearsal WVYS Rehearsal	HMMS	
Monday, February 8	5:30 pm 6:30 pm	Chamber Rehearsal WVYS Rehearsal	HMMS	
Saturday, February 13	7:30 pm	WVSO: Beer, Brats, and Brahms	Clay Center	Attendance strongly encouraged! Student Musician cards not eligible for this concert.
Monday, February 15	5:30 pm 6:30 pm	Chamber Rehearsal WVYS Rehearsal	5:30 pm 6:30 pm	
Monday, February 22	5:30 pm 6:30 pm	Chamber Rehearsal WVYS Rehearsal	HMMS	DUE: Tuition Payment 3

Saturday, February 27	7:30 pm	WVSO: Music in Motion	Clay Center	Attendance strongly encouraged! Student Musician cards accepted!
MARCH				
Monday, March 1	5:30 pm 6:30 pm	Chamber Rehearsal Rehearsal	HMMS	
March 4-6		All State Convention		
Monday, March 8	5:30 pm 6:30 pm	Chamber Rehearsal Rehearsal	HMMS	
Monday, March 15	5:30 pm 6:30 pm	Chamber Rehearsal Rehearsal	HMMS	
Saturday, March 20	TBA	Side by Side rehearsal	Clay Center	Youth Orchestra only
Saturday, March 20	6:45 pm	WVSO/WVYS SidebySide	Clay Center	Youth Orchestra only
Saturday, March 20	7:30 pm	WVSO: Music for Spring	Clay Center	Student Musician Cards accepted! Attendance strongly encouraged!
Monday, March 22	5:30 pm 6:30 pm	Chamber Rehearsal Rehearsal	HMMS	
Monday, March 29	5:30 pm 6:30 pm	Chamber Rehearsal Rehearsal	HMMS	
APRIL				
Saturday, April 3	4:00 pm	WVSO: Community Side-by-Side	Clay Center	Attendance strongly encouraged! Student Musician Cards <u>accepted!</u>
Monday, April 5	-----	NO REHEARSAL	-----	Spring Break
Saturday, April 10	7:30 pm	WVSO: Opera in Concert - The Marriage of Figaro	Clay Center	Attendance strongly encouraged! Student Musician Cards <u>accepted!</u>
Monday, April 12	5:30 pm 6:30 pm	Chamber Rehearsal Rehearsal	HMMS	
Sunday, April 18	2:00 pm	CHAMBER CONCERT	Kanawha United Presbyterian Church	1009 Virginia Street East Charleston, WV 25301
Monday, April 19	6:30 pm	Rehearsal	HMMS	No more chamber!
April 21-22	TBD	All County Band		
Saturday, April 24	7:30 pm	WVSO: Tony DeSare - Music of Billy Joel	Clay Center	Attendance strongly encouraged! Student Musician Cards <u>not</u> eligible for this concert!
Monday, April 26	6:30 pm	Rehearsal	HMMS	DUE: Lambros Scholarship Application
Tuesday, April 27	TBD	All-County Strings	Clay Center	
MAY				
Monday, May 3	6:30 pm	Rehearsal	HMMS	
Saturday, May 8	7:30 pm	WVSO: Season Finale!	Clay Center	Attendance strongly encouraged! Student Musician Cards <u>accepted!</u>
Saturday, May 8	2-3:15 pm	Cadets Dress Rehearsal	TBD	

Monday, May 10	4:30-5 pm 5-5:30 pm 5:30-6 pm 6:30 pm	YS Dress Rehearsal YW Dress Rehearsal YO Dress Rehearsal SPRING CONCERT	TBD	
Tuesday, May 11	4:00 pm	New Winds, Brass, and Percussion Auditions	HMMS	
Wednesday, May 12	4:00 pm	New Strings/Move-Up Student Auditions	HMMS	Students wishing to move up to Youth Strings or Youth Orchestra may only audition on this published audition date unless invited to do otherwise. All students are eligible to audition to move up to the next group.
Monday, May 17	6:30 pm	Rehearsal	HMMS	
Monday, May 24	6:30 pm	Rehearsal	HMMS	
Monday, May 31	-----	NO REHEARSAL	-----	Memorial Day
JUNE				
Sunday, June 6	TBD	Symphony Sunday	University of Charleston	

Rehearsal times are as follows:

- Cadet Strings (CS): 6:30pm – 8:00pm
- Youth Strings (YS): 6:30pm – 8:15pm
- Youth Winds (YW): 6:30pm – 7:30pm
- Youth Orchestra (YO): 6:30pm – 9:00pm