



*The Symphony School*  
*of the Huntsville Symphony Orchestra*

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To whom it may concern:

Upon special invitation, this student has been chosen to perform with the Valley Conservatory String Ensemble as the pre-concert entertainment for the 2022 Huntsville Symphony Orchestra's Young People's Concerts on Thursday, February 24, 2022. We do hope that this student can be excused from school on February 24<sup>th</sup>.

Fourth graders from all over North Alabama will be attending these concerts to learn about the symphony. They will get to experience a marvelous symphonic tour tailored for children, featuring the full orchestra in the music of Purcell, Mendelssohn, Richard Strauss, and Britten's celebrated *The Young Person's Guide to the Orchestra*. It's a fabulous way to introduce young people to the instruments of the orchestra when paired with the dazzling, larger-than-life puppetry of Huntsville M.E.T.

This is a rare opportunity for young musicians to perform on the same program with a professional orchestra. We are excited about this well-deserved opportunity for these young musicians to perform on the Mark C. Smith Concert Hall Stage.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Sharon Hicks".

Sharon Hicks  
Director of Education  
Huntsville Symphony Orchestra