

AMERICAN INTERNATIONAL YOUTH SYMPHONY

Performer Recommendation form

To the student: Fill in your name and instrument and give this form to your recommending teacher.

Student's Name: _____ Instrument: _____

To the recommending teacher: The student named above seeks admittance to the American International Youth Symphony [www.valpo.edu/chineseandjapanesestudies/2009AIYOChinaTour]. We appreciate your professional assessment of this student. Your prompt reply will be helpful in our selection process and appropriate part assignment. Please mail the completed form to the Music Director: **Dr. Dennis Friesen-Carper, Department of Music, 1709 Chapel Drive, Valparaiso University, Valparaiso IN 46383-6493** or FAX to **219-464-5244** (to attention of AIYS). If you prefer to recommend via e-mail, please send a message including these rankings to: **orchestra@valpo.edu**. Or you may return this form to the student to submit with his/her application.

Name of person making recommendation: _____

Address: _____

Email address, if applicable _____

School position, if applicable: _____ Phone (A/C) _____ / _____

How long & in what capacity have you known this student? _____

How well do you know the student (circle one)? Very well Casually Not well

Please compare this student with the most outstanding players you have taught at his/her age or grade level. Circle a rating for each quality listed below. (1 = low, 5 = superior)

Solo Performing Ability	1	2	3	4	5	
Ensemble Performing Ability		1	2	3	4	5
Ability to Learn Music Readily		1	2	3	4	5
Pitch/Intonation Sense		1	2	3	4	5
Technical Facility	1	2	3	4	5	
Maturity and Responsibility	1	2	3	4	5	
Ability to Work with Colleagues	1	2	3	4	5	

Please evaluate this student's ability to successfully learn and perform works such as Wagner *Die Meistersinger: Prelude* and Dvorak *Symphony No. 8 in G minor*:

Unable to perform _____ Able with minor part simplification _____

Able with difficulty _____ Very capable _____ Could sight-read them well _____

Please feel free to offer any additional comments on the back of this sheet.

Recommender's signature _____ Date _____

**Thank you for your assistance! – Dennis Friesen-Carper, Music Director
Valparaiso University, Zhejiang University**