



PIONEER ORCHESTRA PARENTS SOCIETY
SUPPORTING THE ANN ARBOR PIONEER ORCHESTRA PROGRAM



Dear Friend of Pioneer Orchestras,

We are writing to ask for your support. We are in need of sponsors to fund private instrument lessons, orchestra operations, and the orchestra's spring 2025 tour to Atlanta, Georgia and Nashville, Tennessee. Many of our students are in need of scholarship assistance and, without sponsors like you, our students will not be able to benefit from the rich musical experience that makes the Pioneer Orchestra program, under the direction of Jonathan Glawe, one of the best in the country.

The nationally celebrated Pioneer High School Orchestra program focuses on developing our students' Musicianship, Citizenship, and Friendship. Highlights include:

- Founded by legendary music educator Elizabeth Green, our program has shaped the future of music education, producing generations of accomplished musicians
- We perform works from the traditional canon and also highlight rising composers. In recent years we have premiered five commissioned works
- We are 8-time GRAMMY Award recipients from the GRAMMY In The Schools Program, including the title of "GRAMMY Signature School" two times
- We are a National Orchestra Festival winner
- We have been the featured performer as an example to other programs at The Midwest Clinic in Chicago and at the statewide Michigan Music Conference
- We develop student leaders and foster the growth of citizenship and community
- Our students receive top honors at state and national solo and ensemble competitions
- Our students excel both in their academic pursuits and in their musical achievements, often continuing to prestigious music schools and careers

The Ann Arbor Community is our heart and soul. We perform at local events, collaborate with other schools at home and internationally, and enrich the cultural fabric of our city. Supporting our program is supporting the cultural vitality of Ann Arbor and the development of our students as global citizens.

Our diverse group of young musicians forms four orchestras. The entry-level orchestra is open to anyone. The highest-level orchestra plays at the college level. Many students started playing instruments in 5th grade, through Ann Arbor Public Schools' music instrument program. This district-wide program ensures all students, regardless of family background or financial situation, are exposed to instrumental playing and can develop into excellent musicians.

We are seeking sponsorships to support ALL of our students in their pursuit of excellence.

Donations provide instrument maintenance, sheet music, invitations to guest clinicians, special instrument purchases and many more enrichment activities and scholarships, ensuring all students can participate, regardless of financial background.

In addition, our orchestras were accepted to compete in the National Orchestra Festival in Atlanta in March 2025. Our goal is that every student musician can attend. Thirty percent of our students are seeking needs-based scholarship applications. \$1,000 sends a student musician on tour. Our goal is to raise \$36,000. The tour is an invaluable musical and cultural experience and often the highlight of students’ high school experience. During the spring 2025 tour the orchestra will:

- Perform at the National Orchestra Festival in Atlanta
- Attend Atlanta Symphony Orchestra and Nashville Symphony performances
- Tour the Martin Luther King Jr. park in Atlanta
- Participate in the “inside tracks” program at the Country Music Hall of Fame in Nashville and experience a true day in the life of a musician, from songwriting and performing to professionalism in the music industry to co-writing and producing a song
- Tour National Museum of African American Music

We appreciate your support of any amount. All donors will be listed in the concert programs during the 2024-2025 school year. The Pioneer Orchestra Parents’ Society is a 501(c)(3) organization, and donations and sponsorships may be tax-deductible.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!	LEVELS OF SPONSORSHIP				
	Musician (\$50)	Section Leader (\$250)	Concert Master (\$1,000)	Director (\$5,000)	Maestro (\$20,000)
Concert program recognition during school year	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Symphony Serenade for Valentine’s Day (1 minute)		✓	✓	✓	✓
Recognition from podium at spring fling		✓	✓	✓	✓
Pioneer Orchestra swag		1	2	3	4+
Tickets to enter Race to the Podium (to conduct Sleigh Ride at the Winter Concert)		5	10	20	40
Invitation to Winter Concert and Festival rehearsals	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Chamber music for your own events			30 mins	45 mins	60 mins
Unlimited gratitude from Pioneer Orchestra Students	✓	✓✓	✓✓✓	✓✓✓✓ ✓	✓✓✓✓✓ ✓

Below are suggested sponsorship levels. We are happy to discuss a customized level of support. Please visit <https://givebutter.com/POPSdonations> or use the QR code to donate.



With gratitude,

Students of the Pioneer Orchestras and the Pioneer Orchestra Parents Society