



YOUTH ORCHESTRAS
OF SAN ANTONIO

The Great Tour of CHINA

BEIJING • SHANGHAI • HONG KONG
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CHAPERONE

Roles and Responsibilities

Chaperones play an important role during YOSA's tours. The nature of the position means that the student's relationship with their chaperone is an integral element attributing to the enjoyment of their tour experience. Each chaperone will be assigned a group of between 6 and 10 students for the duration of the tour. Chaperone positions are available to any adult who is willing and able to complete the following duties during the tour:

Duties

- Check your students onto buses at each departure point
- Supervise the behavior of students at all times
- Bed check duty
- Wake up call duty
- Attend to most immediate needs and/or concerns of students
- Serve as a liaison between the student and YOSA staff
- Assist staff with any logistical needs such as:
 - loading and unloading equipment off of buses
 - stage set-up and break down
 - run errands as needed

All chaperones are expected to attend the orientation session held the week prior to the tour departing.

Character

The ideal chaperone will be able to strike the balance between providing a fun and enjoyable environment for the students and control of discipline. A chaperone should command the respect of the students yet also be able to connect with them as a mentor or paternal figure.

All chaperones must provide their social security number to YOSA and agree to a background check.

Selection Process

YOSA welcomes those interested in becoming a chaperone to notify the office for consideration. The final selection of chaperones will be decided by the tour leaders (Steven Payne, Troy Peters and Rick Dillard of American Classic Tours). The following criteria are taken into consideration:

- Other attributes which would be of benefit to YOSA on the tour such as:
 - Medical experience/background
 - Perform an instrument and could potentially play in the orchestra
 - Musical knowledge
- Ability to fulfill duties in a professional manner
- Clear background check