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September 5, 2017

TO: Oahu and Hawaii Complex Area Superintendents and All Principals on Oahu and Hawaii Island

FROM: C. Suzanne Mulcahy *C. Suzanne Mulcahy*
Assistant Superintendent

SUBJECT: **Hawaii Youth Symphony for School Year 2017-2018**

The Hawaii Youth Symphony (HYS) is offering a series of educational concert performances at the Neal Blaisdell Concert Hall and at Kahilu Theatre, Kamuela that will showcase the outstanding musical talents of Hawaii's youth. Schools from Oahu and Hawaii island are invited to attend this year's "Listen and Learn" concerts, which support instruction towards meeting the Hawaii Content and Performance Standards III music standards and curriculum integration. It is advised that these concert performances are designated as an "authorized school activity"; **therefore students should not be marked as absent. Please refer to the memo dated 12/8/2014 from Superintendent regarding Revised School Attendance Procedures, pages 2-3.**

FREE CONCERTS

Two (2) FREE concerts at 9:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. (total of 4 concerts) on:

Monday, December 4, 2017	Neal Blaisdell Concert Hall, Oahu	Youth Symphony I
Tuesday, December 5, 2017	Neal Blaisdell Concert Hall, Oahu	Youth Symphony II

One (1) FREE concert at 9:30 a.m. on:

Wednesday, December 6, 2017	Neal Blaisdell Concert Hall, Oahu	Concert Orchestra
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Two (2) FREE concerts will be held at 9:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. on Hawaii Island:

Tuesday, February 20, 2018	Kahilu Theatre, Kamuela, Hawaii	Youth Symphony I
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Registration materials for the concerts are available on the HYS website at: www.HiYouthSymphony.org starting September 7, 2017.

For any questions regarding the concerts and/or registration, schools should work directly with Mr. Randy Wong, Executive Director, Hawaii Youth Symphony, at 941-9706 or by fax at 941-4995. If you have other questions, please contact Ms. Una Chan, Educational Specialist for Fine Arts, at 305-9709 or via Lotus Notes.

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c: Mr. Randy Wong, Hawaii Youth Symphony
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