

## *Trying on Teaching: Statement of Commitment*

I, \_\_\_\_\_, agree to fulfill my assigned responsibilities as a participant in the *Trying on Teaching* program.

*Professionalism and Rapport with Children:* I realize that by accepting the role of novice music teacher I am also accepting the responsibility of being a representative of the Colorado music education profession and as such will strive to present myself in a professional manner at all times. I will treat children and parents with respect and behave appropriately in their presence.

*Attendance:* I will arrive to rehearsal on time and prepared each evening. I realize that ‘on-time’ means I will be present 10-15 minutes prior to the 6 p.m. start time for rehearsals to assist with room set-up and other preparations. In the event that I am unable to attend an evening rehearsal, I will notify the faculty supervisors at least two days in advance. I understand that a maximum of two absences is permitted. Absences due to personal health or family emergency, and participation in previously scheduled school performances/activities, will be considered excused.

*Preparation:* I will prepare adequately for my instructional responsibilities by producing instructional outlines and organizing my teaching materials before each weekly rehearsal. I agree to work collaboratively with the other instructors in an effort to provide the highest quality of instruction possible for middle school students.

*Research Participation:* I agree to participate in the research portion of this program. I understand that this may include completing questionnaires, participating in interviews, and reviewing video recordings of my teaching. (University sanctioned, informed consent forms will be distributed to participants and their parents/guardians prior to the start of the program and research study component).

*Image Consent:* I agree to the use of my photo image for MSOE/ToT program publications.

*Scholarship Funding:* I accept the Trying on Teaching scholarship (\$100) with the condition that I will fulfill all responsibilities as a participant. I am aware that exhibiting unprofessional behavior, negligence in fulfilling my assigned responsibilities, excessive tardiness, or unexcused absences (as determined by the faculty supervisors) may result in partial or complete forfeiture of scholarship funds.

*Transportation and Liability:* I understand that I am responsible for transportation to and from all scheduled events and waive all claims of liability associated with such transportation.

Student signature

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Parent signature

date

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High School Band Teacher’s Name and email

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High School Band/Orchestra Teacher signature

date

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Please have your school music band or orchestra teacher complete the [Recommendation and Assessment Form](#) by **December 15, 2023**