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Dear Music Educator:

Attached is an application for the Penfield Symphony Orchestra's annual Jo Amish Young Artist Competition. The competition has been one of the cornerstones of the orchestra's programming each year since the competition was announced more than 30 years ago. Our audiences find the concert where we showcase the Jo Amish Young Artist Competition winner in performance with the orchestra to be a perennial favorite. This season it will take place on May 1, 2017.

Thank you for your support of this program by recommending your own talented students to participate. You are welcome to make additional copies of the application form, or you may direct interested students to this information on our website: www.penfieldsymphony.org/young-artist.html.

Completed applications are due by December 5, 2016, and should be returned to the PSO Office. The competition, judged by members of the Rochester Philharmonic Orchestra, will be held on Saturday, January 28, 2017, in the Music Department classroom on the ground floor of the Penfield High School (across from the auditorium). Please note that each applicant must audition with his or her own accompanist.

We look forward to hearing from student applicants. Our Operations Manager, Dianne Stengel (contact information above), will be happy to assist with any questions that you or an applicant may have about the application process.

Sincerely,

Caroline Slocum
PSO Young Artist Competition Coordinator