

## Instrument Care Contract

1. I will **use a soft cloth to clean** my instrument after I play.
2. I will **never** put my instrument in water or any other liquid; I will **never get it wet** or use soap to wash my instrument.
3. I will **take my instrument apart and store it** in its case after playing; I will make sure that **each part** is in its correct place and will **not force my case shut**.
4. I will **put my instrument away in its case** when I am not playing it. I will **never** place my instrument on a sofa, chair or on the floor, **even for a minute**, unless it has been put away properly in its case.
5. I will always make sure the **case is closed securely**.
6. I will **not put scotch tape or stickers** on the instrument; only my teacher may do so.
7. I will **walk** – and **never run or jump** – when I am carrying my instrument.
8. I will **not leave my instrument** in direct sunlight, hot areas, including a hot car or its trunk.
9. **Before** I touch my instrument, I will **wash my hands** with soap and water, and dry them well.
10. I will **never eat, drink anything, or chew gum** while I am playing my instrument because I know that this could damage the inside.
11. I will **never let anyone touch** my instrument besides myself and my teacher.
12. I will **report any damage** to my instrument to my teacher right away. I will never attempt to repair my instrument on my own.

**By signing and initialing the Policy and Contract Agreement, I assume full responsibility for the care and maintenance of this instrument. I also acknowledge that this instrument is on loan as long as I am a student of Red Note Youth Orchestra, attending classes and in good standing. This instrument must be returned to Red Note Youth Orchestra upon exiting the program, or at any time requested by Red Note Youth Symphony staff.**

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