What is SCORE?
OYO SCORE is funded by donations from individuals, corporations, and foundations dedicated to supporting community youth programs. By offering financial assistance, SCORE allows eligible elementary through high school students the opportunity to participate in OYO’s premier music education program.

How SCORE Works
- To find out if you are eligible to participate in OYO’s SCORE program, please email admin@oyomi.org or call 248-237-3475.
- A representative from OYO will contact you to discuss participation opportunities.
- An audition with an OYO conductor will then be scheduled to determine the possibility of placement in one of OYO’s four orchestras.
- The amount of tuition aid will be determined OYO’s Board of Directors based upon financial need and qualifications.

We are OYO
United by their love of music, over 350 elementary through high school students from numerous counties throughout southeast Michigan come together each Thursday to discover and nurture their passions for music.

Through our four-tiered orchestra program, we teach, guide, and foster musical growth in a friendly, supportive atmosphere.

We laugh, we play – literally.

History
Established in 1975, OYO, a nonprofit 501(c)(3), has become one of the premier orchestral education programs in southeastern Michigan. Our alumni include both professional musicians and those who have pursued other careers while keeping the joy of music in their lives.

We Are Community
Oakland Youth Orchestras is much more than dedicated student musicians led by accomplished conductors. We are community.

We are:
Students – A diverse group that comes together through their love of music; who learn, laugh, and make friendships that last for years.
Parents – Who see their children grow and excel; who meet other parents through OYO volunteer and fundraising activities.
Conductors – Professional musicians and experienced music educators who instill a lifetime love of music in their students.
Board members – Who provide their time and talents to see that OYO is guided by sound policies. Most of our board members are parents of OYO student musicians.

Our Orchestras:

- **Symphony**
  - Advanced Strings, Brass, Woodwinds and Percussion
  - Advanced high school musicians

- **Philharmonia**
  - Advanced Intermediate Strings, Brass, Woodwinds and Percussion
  - Strings: Suzuki books 6 and beyond (strings)
  - Generally grades 6 through 12

- **String**
  - Intermediate String musicians only (violin, viola, cello, double bass)
  - Suzuki books 4 through 7 or equivalent
  - Generally grades 5 through 10

- **Studio String**
  - Advanced Beginner String musicians only (violin, viola, cello, double bass)
  - Suzuki books 2 through 3
  - Generally grades 2 through 7

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