

# Etowah Youth Orchestras

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**“Where will the music take you?”**

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## EYO Announces 2019 Summer Strings Camp

*1-week music day camp for students with 1-2 years of orchestral string playing experience*

GADSDEN, AL, April 19, 2019 – The Etowah Youth Orchestras is pleased to announce the 2019 Summer Strings Camp, “Scaling Mount EYO.” This is a one-week day camp designed for students with at least one, but not more than two years of playing experience on an orchestral string instrument. The camp will meet June 10<sup>th</sup> -14<sup>th</sup> from 9 AM – 2 PM at the Music Center at Temple Beth Israel in downtown Gadsden. Summer Strings Camp will be led by EYO artistic staff members and Assistant Conductors Bryce Anderson and Deborah Boos. Mr. Anderson and Mrs. Boos have a combined 41 years of experience as music educators and music classroom instructors.

“Scaling Mount EYO” is a re-formatted version of previous EYO-sponsored Summer Strings programs, in that it is now a week-long day camp which will provide attendees with 20 hours of music instruction in a group setting. Lunch will be provided every day of camp. “Scaling Mount EYO” will feature daily sessions of “Mountain Climbing,” which will teach new techniques and “Gear Check,” which will introduce new music to perform together. There will be a special “Bass Camp” break-out session to explore the string bass and the other orchestral strings, and conclude with a “Summit Recital” on Friday, June 14<sup>th</sup> at 12:00 PM. Music reading skills will be emphasized, which students will utilize in future performance settings, including the EYO after-school ensembles.

The cost of Summer Strings Camp is \$150. Financial assistance is available for qualified applicants. Students are encouraged to bring their own instruments to camp; however, a limited number of instruments are available for use through the EYO.

For more information or to register a student for “Scaling Mount EYO” Summer Strings Camp, please visit the EYO website at [www.myeyo.org](http://www.myeyo.org) and click on the EYO Summer Strings Camp link. For questions, please contact the EYO offices at 256.543.2787, ext. 32, or at [mikegagliardo@culturalarts.org](mailto:mikegagliardo@culturalarts.org). The deadline to register a student and pay tuition is May 31, 2019.

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