

## Hearing Protection Policy

**Please review this entire policy with your child and sign below to acknowledge your agreement.**

Rehearsals may involve drums along with amplified guitars, bass, keyboards, and vocals. Sound levels are monitored and maintained at levels lower than experienced in most nightclubs. Still, it is well known that long-term exposure to high sound levels can have detrimental effects on hearing and that these detrimental effects can be avoided through use of earplugs.

**Music Training Center requires that staff and students wear earplugs** when drums or amplification are used in rehearsals.

**We REQUIRE that every student owns and wears one pair of Hearos High Fidelity Earplugs.** These earplugs are more comfortable than disposable earplugs, have a more pleasing sound, are washable, and may be retained and used by the student indefinitely in rehearsals, performances, at-home practice, and while attending concerts outside of MTC. **You may purchase Hearos High Fidelity Earplugs at MTC for approximately \$15 or online from many retailers.**

If a student loses or damages their earplugs, we will provide the student with a replacement pair of disposable earplugs **on a one-time basis** at a cost of \$2.00 and will email an invoice that must be paid online **prior to** the next rehearsal.

### Acknowledgement

I have read this policy and have reviewed it with my son or daughter attending the Music Training Center. I will purchase a pair of Hearos High Fidelity Earplugs for my child if they do not already own a pair. I authorize Music Training Center to require my child to wear these earplugs during rehearsals. I understand that any activity involving drums or amplified audio may potentially result in hearing loss and hold Music Training Center harmless for any hearing loss that may result from my child's participation.

Parent/Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Student Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_