

Parent Commitment Policies

Registration Packets

Registration packets must be returned at the second rehearsal of the year – Monday, September 17. After October 2, families who have not returned their packets will be contacted. In particular, we must have the health information forms in case a child has a problem during rehearsal. In past years it has often taken several months to get vital information back to the NYSO office. We appreciate your prompt attention to this matter.

Weekly Communication Acknowledgement – “Just a Note” (NOTE change in policy)

Each week at rehearsal, we produce a newsletter called “Just-a-Note” and e-mail this to all families within one day of the Monday rehearsal. In the past we have sent printed copies home with each child. ***This year, we will be changing that policy.*** We will print a limited number of Just-a-Notes, which will be available at the office table during Monday’s rehearsal. Students may pick up printed copies, if e-mail is not available, either before or after rehearsal. We will also send (through a student) a limited number to the ensembles that meet on other days. Prelude Strings will still receive notices.

Just-a-Note is our most effective method of communicating changes to our schedule, upcoming events and reminders. We are asking parents to **regularly** and **promptly** check their student’s music folder and/or email account, each week. **Families should regularly check their “junk” mail as our notices have occasionally been found there.**

We normally send out Just-a-Note electronically, within one day of the Monday rehearsal.

Program Ad Book fundraising requirement: See Fundraisers and Obligations page.

Payment Policies

Payments or written and approved payment plans are due by October 1, 2007.

Payment plans can be made by sending your request to Trudy Larson via e-mail or letter.

From October 2 until November 5, a late fee of \$25.00 will be assessed.

After November 6, 2007, the late fee will be \$50.00.

If a family has a financial hardship as documented by the first two pages of your tax return, scholarship help is available. Scholarship applications must also be submitted to Trudy Larson before October 1 and will be kept confidential.

School Music Participation Policy

As outlined in the public school program policy in your packet, all members of NYSO are expected to participate in their school music program.