

NYSO 2008-2009 FEES

***The Ad Book requirement is per family. Families may reduce the total cost of participation in NYSO by obtaining \$150 worth of ads for our ad book. The ad book campaign will take place in the fall, mid-September to October.**

****There is a \$50 discount for members of more than one ensemble.**

Prelude String Ensemble

Tuition	\$325
Ad Book Requirement*	<u>\$150</u>
Total	\$475

Intermezzo Orchestra

Tuition	\$425
Ad Book Requirement*	<u>\$150</u>
Total	\$575

Senior Orchestra

Tuition	\$550
Ad Book Requirement*	<u>\$150</u>
Total	\$700

Wind Ensemble

Tuition	\$550
Ad Book Requirement*	<u>\$150</u>
Total	\$700

Students who are part of both Wind Ensemble and Senior Orchestra, pay just one fee of \$550 plus \$150 ad book requirement (\$700.)

Senior Flute Choir**

Tuition	\$400
Ad Book Requirement*	<u>\$150</u>
Total	\$550

Select Flute Choir**

Tuition	\$475
Ad Book Requirement*	<u>\$150</u>
Total	\$625

Clarinet Choir**

Tuition	\$400 (\$350 – for 2008-09)
Ad Book Requirement*	<u>\$150</u>
Total	\$550

NYSO Choir

Tuition	\$450
Ad Book Requirement*	<u>\$150</u>
Total	\$600

NYSO PARENT COMMITMENT

Please read the following carefully and sign the enclosed commitment form

Registration Packets due back by September 17.

Registration packets must be returned by the second rehearsal of the year – Monday, September 17. After October 2, families who have not returned their packets will be listed in Just-a-Note. 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.

Weekly Communication Acknowledgement – “Just-a-Note”

Each week at rehearsal, we send home the Just-a-Note with the students and we also e-mail it. Just a Note is our most effective method of communicating changes in our schedule, announcing upcoming events and reminders. Just-a-Note is usually sent out within one day of the week's rehearsal. We instruct students to put the printed Just-a-Note in their folders and **be sure** to give them to you. Understandably, this does not always happen. We are asking parents to **regularly** and **promptly** check their e-mail and/or their student's music folder when he/she arrives home.

Please note!! Several times our e-mails have gone to your “junk mail” account. Please check that often, as we send out Just a Note and other notices at least once a week.

Making you aware of the various ways you can stay current with NYSO information will go a long way toward assisting all of us with our communication. We appreciate your help.

Parents visiting in rehearsals

In the younger ensembles, parents often like to be present and we encourage this. NYSO has the following two requirements: There is to be no eating in the rehearsal room during class time and no talking during rehearsals. We expect parents to set a good example for the students.

Program Ad Book fundraising requirement

Due to the nature of a growing non-profit, educational organization, all families are required to participate in our ad-book fund-raiser. In order to offer tuition that is *well below the actual cost*, we provide families with the option of selling \$150 worth of ads in our program ad book rather than including this amount as part of the tuition. Families also have the option of meeting this requirement by simply making a payment of \$150. For the ad book, families can sell three business card ads (1/8th page) for \$50 each or a combination of the ads as listed below. If you prefer not to sell the ads, families may create a personal ad congratulating their student.

The ad book is 8 ½ x 11”. Full-page ads are \$400; half page - \$200; 1/4 page - \$100 and 1/8th size (business card) - \$50.00. One-liners will be \$10.00.

Payment Policies

Payments or written and approved payment plans are due by October 6, 2008.

PLEASE PUT CHECK INFORMATION IN THE MEMO LINE: WHAT ENSEMBLE OR WHAT FUNDRAISER.

If needed, semester or monthly payment plans can be made by sending your request to Trudy Larson via e-mail or letter.

From October 1 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 be submitted to Trudy Larson before October 2 and will be kept confidential. Please contact Trudy for an application form.

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.