



GBYO ATTENDANCE POLICY AND MEMBERSHIP AGREEMENT

Members of the Greater Bridgeport Youth Orchestras (GBYO) are expected to attend all rehearsals and performances that are published in the GBYO calendar. If you must miss a rehearsal, please inform your conductor in advance. Excessive absences will result in exclusion from the concert performance. Attendance at dress rehearsals is mandatory. In most instances, a student who is absent from the dress rehearsal will not be allowed to perform in the concert.

Each player in an ensemble is important. There are only a few acceptable reasons for missing a performance. A student who misses a concert may be dropped from the ensemble or may be moved back in the section. The consequences of excessive absences and/or missed dress rehearsals or concerts are at the discretion of the member's conductor in consultation with the Music Director.

GBYO makes every effort to avoid conflicts when the GBYO calendar is formulated. We plan around school vacations, religious holidays, CMEA auditions and festivals and the Fairfield County String Festival.

GBYO expects its members be in good standing as participants in their school instrumental music programs, where they exist. "Good standing" is determined by the school program.

Members who withdraw before October 1 of any season will have their membership fee, minus a \$25 handling fee, refunded upon request. **Members who withdraw or become ineligible to participate in GBYO on or after October 1, will not receive a refund.**

I understand the policies stated above and accept them as conditions for membership in GBYO.

CLEARLY Print Student's Name

Student's signature

Parent's signature

Date

Date

GBYO DIRECTORY

Each season, GBYO creates a family directory. This directory is for internal use only and many families find it helpful in setting up carpools, small group ensembles and social activities. Information listed includes student and parent names, GBYO ensemble, parent email/home/cell phones, city of residence and school attended. Please check the box if you DO NOT WISH for your musician's information to be included in the family directory this fall. *I do not want to be included in the directory.*

MUSIC FOR YOUTH

Music for Youth is a local organization with the mission "to foster the love and knowledge of classical music in young people." This mission is realized each season with a series of FREE Young Persons' Concerts, including the GBYO Concerto Competition, a school residency program, an annual scholarship, and facilitation of performance opportunities for local student musicians.

Please check the box if you would like to receive occasional emails from MFY about upcoming performances and events. *Yes, please add me to Music for Youth's email newsletter list.*