

## 2023-2024 EBYO MEMBERSHIP RULES

Learning professional responsibility is an important part of EBYO's musical program. In order to foster musical excellence, promote member and parental commitment, and promote group cohesiveness, the following rules will be observed:

### Membership

- Before any musician will be allowed to participate in EBYO programs, the 2023-2024 Membership Forms must be completed and tuition must be paid.
- Parent participation is vital and considered an integral requirement for participation in EBYO. Parents need to complete and return the Membership Forms. In addition, we hope parents will show their support for their student(s) by attending EBYO concerts.
- Any member attending a school where there is an appropriate organized instrumental music program is required to participate in that program. Please complete Section B Parent Agreement on the 2023-2024 Membership Form.
- The conductor has the authority to dismiss any member for unsatisfactory performance, poor attitude, or failure to observe the Membership Rules.

### Rehearsals

- Members should arrive 10 minutes before the scheduled rehearsal time to prepare and warm up, and should be in their places 5 minutes early for tuning. Three tardies will be counted as one absence. (An exception will be considered at the discretion of the conductor and with advance notice.)
- Each musician should bring a pencil to every rehearsal.
- Members are responsible for learning their music prior to rehearsal. Rehearsals are for fine-tuning orchestral performance, not practicing individual parts.
- Members are responsible for bringing their music to all rehearsals. All music must be returned to the conductor at the end of each concert and players will be held responsible for the replacement of music that is lost or mutilated.
- No food is allowed in MB1039. If students wish to eat a snack prior to rehearsal, at the designated break time, or after rehearsal, the snack must be consumed in the snack bar area.

### Concerts

- Proper concert attire is required. Please refer to the 23-24 Concert Attire form.
- Members are expected to attend all rehearsals and concerts.
- Attendance will be taken at each rehearsal by the section leader, room parent, or conductor, as appropriate.
- More than two absences per quarter from regular rehearsal could jeopardize a member's performance in that concert, and will be considered in future seating arrangements. Scholarship recipients may not be eligible for future funding if absences exceed this limit. After two absences, a member will be contacted as a reminder of this policy.
- Absences due to schedule conflicts should be requested in advance. Notifications for absences due to illness, school conflicts, or emergency should be emailed to **manager@ebyo.org**, as soon as known so that the conductor can be advised. Please be sure to include the student name and group he/she plays in.

***Please do not call the EBYO phone line after 9:00 p.m.***