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Rehearsals Start Tonight

Welcome to the new BYSO Season! We are really excited to have you all with us and are looking forward to making music again! We anticipate this first meeting tonight will consist of norms, expectations, getting to know you and there will likely be some technical issues that arise when working virtually.

If you are concerned that you are in the wrong ensemble or have asked to change ensembles, please stay in your assigned ensemble for tonight and we will work to make changes in the coming days.

We have included some helpful tips for working virtually below.

BYSO Norms for Virtual Ensembles

- Be camera ready
 - Be on time
 - Be dressed so you are comfortable to be on screen
 - Choose a consistent location and minimize distractions
 - Keep your camera on – this is a group activity
- Be kind
 - Think before you speak!
 - Speak up if you or others need help
 - Balance communication (listen, speak)
 - No private chatting
- Get Good at Zoom
 - Mute your mic when not talking
 - Use Gallery view so you can see everyone
 - Keep chat to a minimum when it is time to work
- Take Care of Yourself
 - Make sure you use the restroom before rehearsal starts
 - Try to sit tall in your chair for good posture; if standing – make sure your computer screen

is raised so you do not have to slouch!

Please Be Patient

The office staff is working very hard to answer emails, make changes/corrections, answer questions and create rosters for our directors. Please be patient while we work our way through the unexpected number of emails we have received. Responses can take two to three days at this time and we do not work evenings or weekends.

If you have not heard about ensemble placement at all, please email admin@byso.org as soon as possible with the subject - **Waiting On Ensemble Placement** - include the name of your student and birth date and we will get that information to you as soon as possible.

Thank you for your patience.

Tuition Due by October 18th

Tuition is due no later than October 18th and can be paid online or via check. If you have a Credit from last year or are signed up for more than one ensemble, please reach out and we will let you know how to proceed. If you would like information on Financial Aid, please click [here](#).

To pay online go to:

<https://view.byso.org/bysoshop/>

For checks, please send to:

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BYSO Website

Please take a few minutes to go through our website and check your ensemble page weekly. Our website is very comprehensive and the ensemble pages are a way for the music staff to communicate with their ensembles. Some helpful links are below.

<https://www.byso.org/>

<https://www.byso.org/newsletter/>

<https://www.byso.org/bysoshop/>

<https://www.byso.org/ensembles/>

<https://www.byso.org/member-guidelines-for-byso-online/>

And don't forget to Like and Follow us on social media platforms.

Link to Parent Meeting Recording

If you are interested in watching the last parent meeting, please click [here](#).

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