



TUITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM POLICIES & PROCEDURES

It is the goal of the MVYSO for every willing and able student to participate regardless of his or her financial situation. Financial assistance is available on a limited basis depending on need. Most tuition assistance is for partial tuition. Our tuition assistance program is funded through donations from MVYSO friends and families.

Anyone wishing to receive tuition assistance **must** fill out a tuition assistance application. *All applicants will be notified by mail of the amount of tuition assistance they will receive.* The mailing will include a tuition assistance contract and co-payment plan that must be signed and turned in in order for the tuition assistance to be activated.

Tuition assistance will be based on the following criteria.

- Financial Need
- Willingness and commitment level of student MVYSO
- Parent commitment level and involvement to the MVYSO
- Instrumentation needs of the MVYSO

Most tuition assistance will be partial tuition assistance based on financial need of the student and his/her family. Need for financial assistance, amount you are able to contribute to your student's tuition, etc. can all be explained on the Tuition Assistance Form available in this packet. This packet is also available on the MVYSO website. (www.mvyso.org) on the Members page.

Expectations of tuition assisted students

- Obvious home preparation of music for rehearsals
- Must be a team contributor to the MVYSO (home practice, rehearsal effort, attitude, etc)
- Excellent attendance at rehearsals and performances
- Exemplary rehearsal and concert behavior
- Participation in fundraising activities

Expectations of tuition assisted families

- Participation in at least one fundraising event
- Help promote MVYSO concerts and events
- Volunteer for MVYSO at least 3 MVYSO events or take on a volunteer position for the season (i.e. Attendance volunteer) and/or join and on-going committee. (See "Volunteer Opportunities with the MVYSO in your family packet)
- Support your student in their efforts to become a better musician (encourage practice, help get your student to rehearsals and performances, etc)
- Pay tuition assistance co-pays on time or communicate a new payment plan on or before tuition assistance co-pay is due.

Tuition assistance can be revoked for the following reasons

- Evident lack of practice of MVYSO music
- Lack of team attitude toward MVYSO on the part of the student
- Lack of attendance or tardiness at rehearsals and/or performances
- Lack of parental/ family involvement in MVYSO functions, fundraisers, etc
- Disruptive or inappropriate rehearsal or performance behavior
- Late payments for tuition assistance co-pays without communicating new payment plan by due date of co-pay.



**Maple Valley Youth Symphony Orchestra
Tuition Assistance Application**

Date _____

Name _____ Instrument _____

Address _____ Phone _____

Email _____

Annual Household income at this time:

____ less than 30,000 ____ 30,000-50,000 ____ 51,000 – 70,000 ____ 71,000-100,000

____ 100,000+

____ I am a student paying my own way for MVYSO

*If you are a student paying your own way, how do you go about earning your money?

Amount of assistance you need:

**Please note: most tuition assistance is for up to 75% and is based on need.*

____ 75% tuition assistance this year

____ 100% tuition assistance this year

____ partial tuition assistance – amount _____

Please briefly explain why you need this tuition assistance:

Volunteer jobs you are willing to do for MVYSO or other ideas you have for helping with MVYSO:

____ I prefer “at home” volunteer jobs ____ I prefer to volunteer at MVYSO rehearsals and/or events

I have read and agree to the terms of MVYSO’s Tuition Assistance Policy (available at www.mvyso.org “Members Page” under the “Forms” button.

Signed _____ Date _____

Tuition assistance made possible by the generosity of MVYSO's donors