

SHEBOYGAN AREA YOUTH SYMPHONY  
ATTENDANCE POLICY

1. Musicians are expected to attend all Monday evening rehearsals. Plan ahead! If your other activities will make it necessary to miss more than two rehearsals in any trimester, let Mr. Scales know before the trimester begins.
2. In the event that a player has more than two absences of any kind (excused or unexcused) per trimester, Mr. Scales will make a decision as to whether or not the player will perform in the final concert for that trimester.
3. Attendance is **REQUIRED** at all Dress Rehearsals. Plan in advance for this and put the date on your calendar at the beginning of the trimester.
4. Students are expected to be present at the entire rehearsal. Excessive tardiness and leaving early should only be done in emergencies.
5. Even for unexpected absences, the player must notify Mr. Scales ahead of time – by 5:30 p.m. on the Monday of rehearsal. Please call Mr. Scales at (608) 852-3772 and leave a message as to the reason for your absence.
6. Rehearsal begins at 6:30 p.m. for strings and 7:00 p.m. for winds. Because instrument warm-up takes time, the players should arrive 10 minutes early to be fully warmed-up and ready for tuning at their respective starting time. Please do not arrive at rehearsal before 6:15 p.m.
7. Once students have begun rehearsing for the trimester, they are expected to continue through the concert. Dropping out in the middle of the trimester causes problems for the whole group and should only be done in the case of a family emergency.
8. Parents and grandparents of Youth Symphony members are welcome to observe rehearsals. Members of the Youth Symphony will not be allowed to bring friends to rehearsals.
9. In case of dangerous weather, listen to AM Radio 1330 for cancellation information. We also try to contact you by e-mail if there is time to do so.

This ATTENDANCE POLICY was developed by the SAYS Music Director in consultation with the Sheboygan Area Youth Symphony Parents' Organization 2005.