

AYC COVID Mitigation Plan for In Person Rehearsals 2023-2024

Alaska Youth Choir's (AYCs) mission is to foster the physical, mental and emotional growth and development of Juneau's youth through the developing, nurturing, and encouraging a life-long learning and love of music through choral singing. AYC is a nonprofit 501(c)3 corporation.

AYC will follow all relevant guidance issued by the Alaska Department of Health and Social Services and CBJ EOC as mandates evolve throughout the course of the COVID pandemic. AYC will also ensure that this mitigation plan aligns with the Faith Lutheran Church COVID Operating Parameters.

All Choristers and Director will be required to sign a waiver of responsibility not holding liable AYC and Faith Lutheran Church for participation in the program.

Spectators will be required to maintain social distancing during practices while in the Faith Lutheran Church. Signs will be posted. This will follow the Faith Lutheran Church COVID Operating Parameters.

Although the young and healthy may be subject to less severe cases of COVID-19, every case of this disease is potentially life-altering or deadly, particularly in those with risk factors that may occur within our communities. Health consequences may be long-standing and only apparent weeks after initial infection and recovery. Until COVID-19 is either eradicated, or a cure is found, there is no way of eliminating the risk of infection. AYC will notify Choristers and family if it has been found that exposure to COVID-19 occurred during rehearsal

- **If a Chorister or immediate family is sick do not come to rehearsal**

Entering the Faith Lutheran

- Please have your chorister check in on the attendance sheet.

Protective Measures/Protocols

- There will be no sharing of water bottles or snacks.
- All participants have signed/submitted the Waiver (Release of Liability and Assumption of Risk Agreement) to the AYC prior to being allowed to participate.
- Parent/Guardian to notify AYC immediately if their child becomes ill for any reason.
- Do not come to Rehearsal if feeling ill.

In the event of an Occurrence

- If a chorister tests positive, the COVID point of contact person – Board Member Dominuque Johnson- will be contacted and will work directly with the families and Alaska Youth Choir. AYC will report within **a 24-hour period** of awareness of the possible or confirmed positive for COVID-19 to all families of possible exposure.
- Choristers in the particular group are required to inform AYC as soon as possible, if they become sick after participation in AYC, so that other participants can be informed that a fellow participant became sick and they should monitor for symptoms and practice social distancing measures.
- Before resuming, the group with close contact with an infected individual will have rehearsal cancelled or moved to Zoom for 7 days to monitor possible infections from the infected individual.

IMPORTANT: We will be enforcing these safety measures in order to provide Juneau youth with year-round choral opportunities. It is noted that no singing is without risk, but it is critical for Juneau youth to have some activity during the winter months. We also want to create as safe practice environment as possible for all choristers and families, as well as mitigation from the exposure from the virus.

We appreciate your cooperation in following these procedures as we work together to maintain the highest health and safety standards.

Questions please contact AYC at alaskayouthchoir@gmail.com

Attachments:
Mitigation Plan
Waiver
Procedures