

Confirmed times for "TBA" events will be shared as far in advance as possible via the weekly eNews and conductor emails. Find links to past eNews on your [Member Page](#).

Key: ECC-Elgin Community College YS-Youth Symphony PH-Philharmonia SF-Sinfonia PR-Prelude MO-Primo MOI-Primo Intermezzo FC-Flute Choir BC-Brass Choir PE-Percussion Ensemble CMI-Chamber Music Institute

MAY 2023	
MAY 25 – 28	2023-24 Season Auditions
JUNE 2023	
JUN 6 & 8	Honors Chamber Ensemble Auditions
JUN 9	Audition results emailed, registration open
JUN 13	<b>YS Tour Sendoff Concert: 7:00pm</b>
JUN 15 – JUN 23	<b>YS Tour: NYC &amp; Boston (for 2022-23 YS members)</b>
JUN 23	Tuition Assistance and/or Payment Plan Request Deadline
JULY 2023	
JUL 7	Registration & Tuition Payment Deadline; CMI Early Registration Deadline
JUL 24 – 28	<b>Summer Chamber Music Camp</b> at Elgin Academy (visit <a href="https://eyso.org/summer">eyso.org/summer</a> for info)
JUL 31	Sheet music mailed
AUGUST 2023	
AUG 25 – 27	<b>Fall Camp Weekend (MO Fri, PR Sat, SF Sun, PH Fri-Sat, YS Sat-Sun)</b> at FVCA/Riverwoods Family Campus, St. Charles
SEPTEMBER 2023	
SEPT 5	CMI Registration Deadline
SEPT 10	First ECC Rehearsal (MO, PR, SF, PH, YS) <b>Season Kick-Off Meeting: 5:45pm (required for students + one parent/guardian)</b>
SEPT 17	Regular rehearsals + BC, FC, PE, and CMI Rehearsals begin
SEPT 24	Regular rehearsals
SEPT 27	<b>Virtual College Q&amp;A, 7:00pm</b>
OCTOBER 2023	
OCT 1	Regular rehearsals
OCT 8	Regular rehearsals
OCT 15	Regular rehearsals
OCT 21	<b>Young Artists Concerto Competition (YS &amp; PH; application due Sept 18)</b>
OCT 22	Regular rehearsals + CMI Dress Rehearsals (schedule TBA) <b>Primo/Intermezzo Informance: 5:30pm (Rehearsal: 4:30)</b>
OCT 29	Regular rehearsals + CMI Dress Rehearsals (schedule TBA)
NOVEMBER 2023	
NOV 3	Dress Rehearsals: PR, YS, YS PE 5:30-10:00pm (exact times TBA)
NOV 4	Dress Rehearsals: SF, FC, PE, BC, PH 7:30am-1:00pm (exact times TBA)
<b>NOV 5</b>	<b>EYSO Concerts: 1:30, 4:30, 7:00pm</b>
NOV 12	Regular rehearsals + <b>CMI Concerts: 12:45, 2:00, 4:30pm</b>
NOV 19 & 26	No rehearsals
DECEMBER 2023	
DEC 1 – 31	No rehearsals
JANUARY 2024	
JAN 7	<b>Thirteenth Annual Faculty Recital: 2:00pm</b> Regular rehearsals resume (all ensembles except CMI)
JAN 14	Regular rehearsals + CMI rehearsals resume
JAN 21	Regular rehearsals <b>NOTES 2024 Campaign Kick-Off</b>
JAN 28	Regular rehearsals

# EYSO 2023-24 Season Calendar, cont.

FEBRUARY 2024	
FEB 4	Regular rehearsals
FEB 11	Regular rehearsals
FEB 18	Regular rehearsals + <b>Open House 3:30-7:00pm</b>
FEB 25	Regular rehearsals
MARCH 2024	
MAR 3	Regular rehearsals + FC, PE Dress Rehearsals
MAR 8	Dress Rehearsal: PR 7:00-8:00pm
MAR 9	Dress Rehearsals: SF, PH, BC, MO, YS 7:30am-3:30pm (exact times TBA)
<b>MAR 10</b>	<b>EYSO Concerts: 1:30, 4:30, 7:00pm</b>
MAR 17	Regular rehearsals
MAR 24	Regular rehearsals + CMI Dress Rehearsals <b>NOTES Turn-in Day</b>
MAR 31	No Sunday rehearsals (Easter)
APRIL 2024	
APR 7	Regular rehearsals + CMI Dress Rehearsals <b>EYSO Open House, 3:30-7:00pm</b>
<b>APR 13</b>	<b>BC, YS Masterclass &amp; Dress Rehearsal: 12:00-6:00pm, Concert: 7:00pm</b> <b>Location TBA</b>
APR 14	Regular rehearsals + <b>CMI Concerts: 12:45, 2:00, 4:30pm</b>
APR 21	Regular rehearsals
APR 28	Regular rehearsals
MAY 2024	
MAY 5	Regular rehearsals + FC, PE Dress Rehearsals
MAY 10	Dress Rehearsals: PR 7:15-8:15pm
MAY 11	Dress Rehearsals for SF, PH, MO, YS, BC 7:30am-3:30pm (exact times TBA)
<b>MAY 12</b>	<b>EYSO Concerts: 1:30, 4:30, 7:00pm</b>
MAY 30 – JUN 2	2024–25 Season Auditions

Regular Sunday Rehearsal Schedule		
<i>Rooms will change for Spring 2024 after renovations</i>		
Ensemble	Time	Room
Sinfonia	3:15-5:15pm	Jobe Lounge
Philharmonia	3:30-5:30pm	Blizzard Theatre
Primo Intermezzo	5:00-6:30pm	F112
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Prelude	4:30-6:00pm	B180
YS Percussion Ens.	4:00-5:00pm	TBA
SF/PH Percussion Ens.	5:35-6:35pm	TBA
Brass Choir	5:35-6:35pm	Jobe Lounge
Flute Choir	5:35-6:35pm	F210
Youth Symphony	6:15-9:00pm	Blizzard Theatre

Concert Day Schedule		
<i>Primo &amp; Intermezzo attend the 4:30pm concert on Nov 5, perform with YS during the 7:00pm concert on Mar 10, and perform &amp; attend the 1:30pm concert on May 12.</i>		
Ensemble	Call Time	Concert Time
Prelude	12:30pm	1:30pm
Sinfonia	1:00pm	1:30pm
SF/PH Percussion Ens.	TBA	TBA
Philharmonia	3:30pm	4:30pm
Flute Choir	4:00pm	4:30pm
Brass Choir	4:00pm	4:30pm
Youth Symphony	6:00pm	7:00pm
YS Percussion (BC)	4:00pm	4:30pm & 7:00pm



# Attendance Policies (from Season Handbook)

The most valuable contribution musicians can make to their ensemble is their presence at rehearsal, and attendance is taken at every rehearsal and event. Membership in the EYSO is a commitment to faithful, consistent, and punctual attendance. It is expected that rehearsals will be a high priority in each musician's life since each musician is holding a valuable place in their ensemble.

## ABSENCE REPORTING

If you must be absent, arrive late, or leave early from any rehearsal for any reason, email your conductor and submit an absence form through your [Member Page](#) as early as possible.

## ALLOWED ABSENCES

An absence will not be marked excused or unexcused, but simply as an absence. This includes any absence, such as illness, school or other music activities, SAT/ACT tests, family vacations, homework and tests, college visits, religious holidays, etc. **Musicians in all ensembles are allowed no more than five (5) absences over the course of the season, regardless of reason.**

Concert Cycle	Rehearsal Dates	Absences Permitted
November 2023	Fall Camp – October 29	1-2
March 2024	January 7 – March 3	1-2
May 2024	March 17 – May 5	1

## EXCESSIVE ABSENCES

"Excessive absence" is defined as missing two weeks of rehearsal in a row, or three or more rehearsals in a single concert cycle. **Excessive absences may preclude a student from performing in the concert.**

## FALL CAMP ATTENDANCE

Attendance at Fall Camp is required, since the work of several regular rehearsals is accomplished in a very concentrated time period.

## DRESS REHEARSAL ATTENDANCE

**To be eligible to play the concert, a student must attend their ensemble's entire dress rehearsal.** Exemption from this attendance requirement may be granted on rare occasions for a required school music performance, serious illness/injury, a family wedding, or a funeral/death in the family.

To be granted an exemption in order to miss the dress rehearsal and still play the concert, the student must email their conductor and cc [office@eyso.org](mailto:office@eyso.org) at least two weeks (14 days) before the concert to explain their conflict. This gives the dress rehearsal attendance committee time to:

- carefully review each request;
- communicate further with the student, parent, and school music director as needed; and
- implement seating changes and/or performance readiness juries as appropriate.

Exemption requests received after the deadline are not guaranteed consideration by the dress rehearsal attendance committee. **If a student misses a dress rehearsal without prior committee approval, they will not be permitted to perform in the concert.**