



COVID-19 Acknowledgement and Waiver

The novel coronavirus (“COVID-19”) has been classified by the World Health Organization as a global pandemic and has spread across the state of Washington. COVID-19 is a new disease and the state of scientific and medical knowledge regarding COVID-19 is evolving. COVID-19 is highly contagious and spread easily from person to person. COVID-19 may result in serious illness, debilitating injury, or death. Older adults and people of any age, including children, who have serious underlying medical conditions might be at higher risk for severe illness or death from COVID-19. It is recommended to get vaccinated as soon as possible to prevent the spread of COVID-19.

I acknowledge the contagious nature of the Coronavirus/COVID-19 and that the CDC and many other public health authorities still recommend taking safety measures to protect unvaccinated people.

I further acknowledge that [BELLEVUE YOUTH CHOIRS] has put in place preventative measures to reduce the spread of the Coronavirus/COVID-19 (all such preventive measures can be read online at bellevueyouthchoirs.org/covid).

I further acknowledge that [BELLEVUE YOUTH CHOIRS] cannot guarantee that my child will not become infected with the Coronavirus/COVID-19. I understand that the risk of becoming exposed to and/or infected by the Coronavirus/COVID-19 may result from the actions, omissions, or negligence of myself and others, including, but not limited to staff, volunteers, and other participants.

I voluntarily allow my child to participate in the activities run by [BELLEVUE YOUTH CHOIRS] and acknowledge that I am increasing my child’s risk to exposure to the Coronavirus/COVID-19. I acknowledge that my child must comply with all set procedures to reduce the spread while participating, including wearing a mask during rehearsals until they are vaccinated.

I attest that:

- If my child or any member of their immediate family is diagnosed with Coronavirus/COVID-19, or are experiencing any symptom of illness such as cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, fever, chills, repeated shaking with chills, muscle pain, headache, sore throat, or new loss of taste/smell, they will not attend rehearsals unless they have been cleared as non-contagious by state or local public health authorities.
- I and my child are following all CDC recommended guidelines as much as possible and are limiting our exposure to the Coronavirus/COVID-19.
- Getting vaccinated is the best way to prevent Coronavirus/COVID-19. Unvaccinated participants are required to wear masks during rehearsals.

I hereby release and agree to hold [BELLEVUE YOUTH CHOIRS] harmless from and waive on behalf of myself, my heirs, and any personal representatives any and all causes of action, claims, demands, damages, costs, expenses and compensation for damage or loss to myself, my child, and/or property that may be caused by any act, or failure to act of the organization, or that may otherwise arise in any way in connection with any services received from [BELLEVUE YOUTH CHOIRS]. I understand that this release discharges [BELLEVUE YOUTH CHOIRS] from any liability or claim that I, my heirs, or any personal representatives may have against the organization with respect to any bodily injury, illness, death, medical treatment, or property damage that may arise from, or in connection to, any activities provided by [BELLEVUE YOUTH CHOIRS]. This liability waiver and release extends to the organization together with all directors, staff, and volunteers.