

## Tuition and Payment Breakdown 2023-24

### **FCLYO \$400 Tuition and \$50 Registration Fee includes:**

- T-shirt, sweatshirt, and music bag
- Orchestra music binder
- Sheet music purchases
- Facilities/taxes
- Orchestra concert dinners

### **Not included:**

- France Tour
- Dickies Desert Sand uniform pants
- Formal concert attire

### **Tour Company**

Our hosting company this year is **Music Celebrations International** ([www.musiccelebrations.com](http://www.musiccelebrations.com)). They will be handling and directing our trip, and all travelers will be required to create an account and make payments via their online portal. Please check your email and our website for more tour information as it becomes available.

### **Tour Fundraising**

You may register at [www.givebutter.com/fclyofrance2024](http://www.givebutter.com/fclyofrance2024) to receive individual donations from your friends and family for your tour costs. We will also hold several ticketed performance fundraisers. **Any funds raised for your student at our fundraising events will be paid directly to the tour company by FCS on your behalf.** FCS does not accept checks or cash designated for individual students' tour costs.

### **FCLYO Tour Participation Requirements**

The tour cost is an all-inclusive flat rate and cannot be prorated or altered other than listed exceptions below. All FCLYO members are required to participate in our performance tours, including traveling with the group **to and from** our destination with instruments and all equipment and staying in designated FCLYO rooms. We do not accommodate requests for separate itineraries or traveling earlier/later unless an overall exception is made for a specific tour. Exceptions for individuals will not be made. Annual FCLYO Tours are performance-based trips as well as a team building and bonding experience with the orchestra from the moment we meet at FCS or the airport until the moment we return. Students are **not** required to have a parent attend in order to participate, but parents are welcome to register with our group and join us on air travel tours or travel separately on local tours (providing that there is space). Fundraising will only be available for FCLYO members. Official chaperones (group leaders) will be selected at a later date by the director.

### **France Exceptions:**

1. FCLYO members **may request to stay longer** and book their own return flights from France with advanced permission. **All students must travel with the group to France** and complete all portions of the tour itinerary before checking out with parents (on the last day of the trip **ONLY** at the time designated by the director). Students who extend their trips are responsible for transporting their own instruments home and paying for all return trip costs.
2. FCLYO members who are **requesting to opt out** of the France tour for any reason must email the directors with a written explanation (should not be only for financial reasons) and receive approval **prior to August 1, 2023**. Note that opting out of tours is generally not permitted and is a special exception this season due to France being an international tour.