



April 8, 2020

To our SAYWE students, our parents, our families and our community,

It is with the heaviest of hearts that, after all considerations, it's been determined that the remainder of this special SAYWE concert season is cancelled. Due to the pandemic of COVID-19, the Alamo Colleges have cancelled all Face to Face instructional classes and moved them to an online delivery. It is not practical for SAYWE to have an online (virtual) rehearsal or performance.

To our students, SAYWE is beyond fortunate to have something no other ensemble has – each one of you. You are the foundation and the glue of this program. Over the past two years, I have watched SAYWE's growth to become its best ever. That's what Larry Livingston said about you. He is correct.

To Mr. Leonard, SAYWE students are beyond fortunate to have you as their conductor, instructor, counselor, and mentor. Your consistent leadership has been unparalleled in every aspect. I count myself fortunate to have you as team member and friend.

To our families and communities, thank you for knowing how music transforms lives. You've seen this in our students and I genuinely believe that each of you have been transformed in some way too.

Music is powerful. Music is grounding. Music is made to be heard. Musicians are essential.

I expect that each of you will continue being powerful and grounded and heard. Know that you are each essential for your personal success and for the success of SAYWE. My heartfelt thanks to all of you for being a part of this special program.

There are plans in place for SAYWE Season 11 – Academic year 2020 – 2121.
Auditions will be scheduled for Sundays in October and will be posted online as well.

Please be safe. Take care. Wash your hands.

Mrs. McGrath