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Dear family of a La Jeunesse member,

La Jeunesse Choirs wishes to ensure that everyone who is interested in a La Jeunesse Choirs experience is able to access our programs. La Jeunesse Choirs is a charitable organization dedicated to providing opportunities for children and youth to personally grow in spirit, mind and body through music. We encourage those who are having financial difficulties to apply for assisted membership.

If you are interested in a subsidy/assisted membership of some degree for your son, daughter or family member, then this letter will explain what is involved in this request for assistance.

You must supply a copy of your most recent tax return along with a letter, describing some of your family's circumstances and thus why you have a need for the subsidy, in an envelope addressed to the La Jeunesse Choirs Treasurer. We will expect your information within three weeks of receiving this letter.

Our treasurer will discreetly look at your papers and, using a guideline similar to that used by the local YMCA, she will make a recommendation to the executive of the board while keeping your information as confidential as possible. She will tell the executive she has received a request and recommends that 50% [or 25% or 75% or a100% etc] of the fees be covered by our subsidy funds. What will make the difference in the percentage of your financial assistance is the amount of income available to your family and the number of people in your family that this monetary amount supports and any special circumstances within your family such as health issues, other forms of assistance, etc.

We, the La Jeunesse Choirs board of directors wishes to express our gratitude to our community partners such as the Rotary Club of Cobourg as well as other donors and volunteers. These contributions enable our choirs to provide top-notch musical training to a dynamic cross-section of local children and youth. We are grateful that we can offer financial assistance to families with limited resources and talented children.

As a subsidized family, we encourage you to participate in volunteering whenever possible and fundraising as you are able. This is an expectation for all families whether subsidized or not.

We hope you find this process sufficiently comfortable, as we ALL hope that MANY children and youth will be able to reap the benefits of the La Jeunesse Choirs experience!

Sincerely,

Anne Burnham
Secretary of La Jeunesse Choirs board.