

The Chorus Line

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Fundraising News

Candy Bar sales are beginning again. The boxes are in the chorus office. We are only going to accept one check per box – no cash. The last fundraiser of the year will be our raffle and there will be more information on it in future newsletters .

Chorus Participation Obligation

If you have not paid your Chorus fees, **THEY ARE LATE**. The cost of a new chorus shirt is \$10, robe rentals are \$25 and the transportation obligation is \$10 for a total of \$45. If you have not paid your fees, a payment plan IN WRITING needs to be delivered to Dr. Davis immediately. No student will receive credit for performance and receive a passing grade without satisfying the chorus participation obligation. **The chorus fee for new students (2nd semester only) is \$25.**

Pearl MS Trip Money

Any monies that had been sent in to pay for a student to attend the Chorus Competition in Pearl, MS that we were unable to attend will be credited to that student's Spring Trip Fund. If the student is not going on the Spring Trip, you can visit the Chorus website and print a refund request form.

Chorus Christmas Concert Video

The Decatur Daily has placed video footage from the Christmas Concert on their website.

To get to the video go to the Decatur Daily website (www.decaturdaily.com) then click on "Extras" at the top of the page, then click on "Decatur Daily Multimedia Online Extra", then click on the Decatur High chorus Christmas Concert icon.

Chorus Scholarship Information

Chorus Scholarship information is now available on the Chorus website. The deadline for submitting your packet to Ms. Kellett is Wednesday, February 27, 2008. The scholarship application can be downloaded from the Chorus website.

Chorus Website

Visit www.decaturchorus.com to find out the latest information on the Spring Trip(s), Account Balances, concerts, recordings, etc. You can also find electronic versions of the Newsletter, Field Trip Permission form, and Electronic Student Information Submission of Personal Data Form.

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Spring Trip

Spring Trip this year is a Choral Festival at Disney World in Orlando, FL. We will be staying at the Port Orleans property. Dates for the Spring Trip are April 23-27, 2008. Cost of the trip will be \$600.00.

The tentative payment schedule is:

September 1, 2007	\$150.00
October 1, 2007	\$100.00
November 1, 2007	\$100.00
February 1, 2008	\$100.00
March 1, 2008	Balance Due (Nothing Refundable)

USE IT OR LOSE IT!

You must have \$400 in your account by February 1 or forfeit your money for spring trip. Please visit the chorus website for the complete refund and transfer policy concerning funds paid for the trip(s).

Dates to Remember

Feb 12 – District Festival @ FBC Decatur
 Mar 13-15 – All State Chorus @ Samford Univ
 May 4 – Spring Concert @ FBC Decatur
 May 15 – Chamber Choir Auditions

Proper Concert Attire

A large portion of each student's grade will come from their being properly dressed for all performances. Please remember that proper concert attire includes:

- ✓ Chorus Shirt
- ✓ Black Pants or Skirt (No Shorts)
- ✓ Black Dress Shoes (No flip-flops or bare toes)
- ✓ Black Hose or Socks
- ✓ Robe (Provided by Choral Department)
- ✓ No Earrings

Concert Attendance

We always like to remind parents at the beginning of the school of the concert attendance policy. Attendance at the Christmas and Spring Concerts is mandatory and counts as the Semester Exam Grade. The

grade will be calculated as follows: 20 pts for on time arrival, 30 pts for proper etiquette, and 50 pts for correct concert attire. No out-of-town trips or other conflicts will be allowed for those weekends. If you feel you have a conflict, you will need to speak with Dr. Davis personally

Christmas Concert DVD Order Form

Mr. Jim Montgomery will be available to record the Christmas Concert if at least 15 people purchase copies of the DVD. If you would like to purchase a copy, please complete the order form below and return with a **check payable to Jim Montgomery**. **DVDs will cost \$20.00.**

DVD Order Form

Student Name: _____

Parent or Guardian: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Number of DVDs ordered: _____

Amount Enclosed: _____

Christmas Concert CD Order Form

If you would like to purchase a CD of the Christmas Concert, please return the form below with a check payable to **Decatur High Chorus**. We must have at least 25 orders or your check will be returned to you. **CDs will cost \$10.00.**

Student Name: _____

Parent or Guardian: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

**Tentative Itinerary for Decatur High Chorus
Disney Festival
April 23 – 27, 2008**

- **WEDNESDAY:**

Leave Decatur High School 6:00PM for overnight trip to Orlando

- **THURSDAY:**

Arrive Orlando Thursday morning, eat breakfast at McDonald's and then to Disney World for the day (Park Hopper Pass for all 4 parks). Hotel check in after 3:00 PM. We will be staying at Port Orleans Riverside. Disney transportation can be used to go between parks and the hotel.

Dinner at the Mystery Dinner Theatre

- **FRIDAY:**

Breakfast at Rainforest Café in Animal Kingdom

Performance will be either Friday or Saturday during the day. Time will be spent at Disney on the day when the choir is not performing.

Dinner at Downtown Disney

- **SATURDAY:**

Breakfast at Disney World

Performance or day at Disney World

Award Ceremony Saturday evening

Leave for home as soon as Award Ceremony is over

- **SUNDAY:**

Arrive back at Decatur High Sunday morning.

Automated Check Recovery

Decatur High School now uses Automated Check Recovery. All returned checks are subject to electronic redeposit without further notice. State authorized recovery fees will be assessed on all returned checks and may be debited from your checking account electronically. Your personal check made out to **Decatur Chorus** is welcome with proper identification.

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Attention!

*After Feb 1st, there will be no
refunds of Spring Trip monies.*

Use It or Lose It!!



Chamber Choir Auditions

Chorus Room

Decatur High School

May 15, 2008

