

THE CHORUS LINE

WWW.DECATURCHORUS.COM

OCTOBER/NOVEMBER 2016

FUNDRAISERS

Students can participate in fundraisers to help pay chorus fees or spring trip expenses. Money raised through fundraisers cannot be refunded but may be designated to another student or the general chorus fund.



CHARMS

Check your balance with your CHARMS account.

- ⇒ Logon at <http://www.charmsoffice.com/>
- ⇒ School code: DecaturHSChoir
- ⇒ For ID Number, email CarlDavis@dcs.edu



RADA KNIVES

- ◆ Fundraiser has already been delivered



CANDY SALES

Candy sales for 1st semester are over. Turn in your money to the chorus office NOW. Students with outstanding candy balances include:

Jordan Fuqua
Avy Elmore
Lucas Martin
Luisa Hutson
Skyler Smith
Abbigail Elam
Rachel Saban
Morgan Anderson
Aubrie Jackson
Lucas Roberts



Christmas Concert Information

November 20th at 2:30 p.m.

All Choirs

First Baptist Church

123 Church St, Decatur

**Tickets available now
at DHS and at the
door for \$3**

Concert Attendance:

Please note that the Christmas and Spring Concerts count as the semester exam for all chorus students. Therefore, **participation is mandatory**. Concert attire will be checked at each performance. Students not in compliance will receive a maximum performance grade of 50 (F). Since performance grades are a major portion of the nine-week's grade, a student could fail for not wearing proper attire.

Concert Attire:

The dress for any chorus performance is as follows:

Boys: *black shoes (no tennis shoes), black socks, black pants and chorus shirt. Hair must be neatly secured out of face. No earrings or other piercings.*

Girls: *black shoes (no tennis shoes and no open toed shoes), black hose (no bare legs or feet), black pants, chorus shirt. No earrings or other piercings. Hair must be neatly secured out of face.*

Christmas Concert DVD/CD Order Form

If you would like to purchase a DVD/CD of the Christmas Concert, please return the form below with a check payable to **DHS CHORUS**. DVDs will cost **\$10.00**. CDs will cost **\$5.00**.

Number of CD _____ Number of DVD _____ Paid _____ Cash Check

Student Name: _____

Parent or Guardian: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____



Volunteers Needed

We need about 35 volunteers for the Christmas Concert. Thanks to those of you who have already responded to the Schoolcast text. If you have volunteered, please look for instructions from Mrs. Brown and if your plans change, please do let her know. If you haven't already volunteered, it's not too late - please contact Charlotte Brown at charlotte.brown@dcs.edu.

We're Proud of Our Chorus Members

We're Proud of Dan Fite!



Dan is part of the Hugh O'Brian Youth (HOBY) Leadership program representing Alabama. He submitted his big idea to the HOBY Magic Makers program.

From Dan,

“My idea is to partner with hospitals to install movie theaters so that patients may enjoy theatrical cinema experiences, which could help patients escape reality for a few hours and be rejuvenated to keep fighting through their ailments.”

Watch his video here: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6gCbbC_Tjg0

Read all about Dan and help support his big idea at

<https://app.mobilecause.com/vf/DAN>

Congratulations to our All-State Winners!



ALABAMA VOCAL ASSOCIATION

An Affiliate of NAfME

2017 All-State High School SATB Choir	
Ayonna Baker	S1
George Brown	T2
Kasey Coffey	S2
Hunter Lee	B1
Jack Salter	B1
Mahlon Sansing	B2
Kaleah Wooten	A2

2017 All-State High School TTTB Choir	
Spencer Lott	T1

2017 All-State High School SSA Choir	
Layne Bjornseth	S1
Anitrea Chambers	A2
Caleigh Duncan	S1
Madeline Joiner	A2
Grace Moebes	A2
Joan Wendt	S1

2016 Trip to Hawaii

December 4-10, 2016



2016 Pearl Harbor Memorial Parade Featuring Pearl Harbor All-American Choir



In conjunction with the 75th anniversary of the bombing of Pearl Harbor.

For more information, please see

<http://www.decaturchorus.com/trip.html>

Remaining deadlines:

Turn in to the school nurse:

Prescriber/Parent Authorization forms for each medication due **28 November**

All medications due **30 November**

Important Times & Dates:

Drop off at Huntsville International Airport on **4 December** at 5:00 am

Pickup at HSV Airport on **10 December** at 10:15 am

Drop off luggage on **3 December** from 1:00-2:00 pm at DHS at the stage.

Remember

One checked bag, One carry-on, One personal item **Mark them!**

Checked bag must weigh no more than **50 pounds** and be no more than **62 inches**
when you total Length + Width + Height

Travel tips from TSA: [https://www.tsa.gov/sites/default/files/
checklist_2016_05242016_508.pdf](https://www.tsa.gov/sites/default/files/checklist_2016_05242016_508.pdf)

2016 Calendar

November 2016

- 7 All State Auditions, St Bernard, Cullman, during school day
- 14 Chorus Board Meeting 6:00 p.m.
- 18 Concert Dress Rehearsal FBC during school day.
- 20 **Christmas Concert (All Choirs) 2:30 p.m.**
First Baptist Church
- 29 Oak Park Christmas Concert (Chamber Chorus Only) 6:00 p.m (arrive at 5:30 p.m.)
- TBD** Civitan Performance (Concert and Chamber Choruses), 12 p.m., Central Baptist Church

December 2016

- 4- 10 Chorus Trip, Hawaii
- 15 Lights of Love Tree Lighting (Chamber Choir Only) 5:30 p.m. (arrive at 5:00 p.m.) Decatur General
- 16 Last Day for Students before Christmas Break

January 2017

- 4 First Day for Students
- 9 Chorus Board Meeting 6 p.m.
- 26 Talent Show Auditions after school Auditorium
- 31 Half Day for Students

February 2017

- 9 Talent Show during school day
- 13 Chorus Board Meeting
- 15 Schools Closed - President's Day

March 2017

- 2-4 All State Chorus Samford University, Birmingham
- 7 Half Day for Students
- 21 State Choir Contest, First Baptist Church, Decatur (All Ensembles)
- 27-31 Spring Break - Schools Closed

April 2017

- 14 Schools Closed
- 28 Concert Dress Rehearsal at FBC, All Ensembles, During School Day,
- 30 **Spring Concert, All Choruses, First Baptist Church, 123 Church St, Decatur 2:30 p.m.**

May 2017

- 18 Chamber Chorus Auditions Beginning @ 4:30 p.m. in Chorus Room
- 21 Baccalaureate - Chamber Choir and Volunteers, 6:00 p.m.
- 23 Developmental Center Graduation - Chamber Choir and Volunteers -- 10:30 a.m.

Chorus Scholarships

Four scholarships are awarded to graduating seniors who have been involved in the chorus program at DHS.

Criteria

Candidates for these scholarships provide information regarding scholastic achievements, extracurricular participation and college plans. This information will all be considered as well as input from the choral director regarding participating and dedication to the choral program.

Application is available here:

[http://www.decaturchorus.com/
uploads/7/0/0/6/70066417/
scholarshipapplication2017.pdf](http://www.decaturchorus.com/uploads/7/0/0/6/70066417/scholarshipapplication2017.pdf)

Chorus scholarship applications should be turned into Mrs. Sarah Beth Dunlap (room 123) by Friday, February 24, 2017

Chorus Board Members

Director	Dr. Carl Davis
Assistant	Ginny Matherly
President	Jackie Joiner
Secretary	Matona Moebes
Treasurer	Tonya Herda
Spring Trip	Drama Breland/ Michelle Hoffman
Robes	Debbie Smith/Michelle Hoffman/Matona Moebes/Sue Powell
Chaperones	Charlotte Brown
Concerts	Tonya Brown
Talent Show/ Scholarships	Stephanie Mayfield/ Sarah Beth Dunlap
Transport/ Prof. Leave	Carolyn Pistorius
Newsletter	Deborah Walker
Website	Ellen Didier
Publicity	Cathy Jones
Fundraising	Jackie Joiner
Pansies	Sue Powell
RADA	Jackie Joiner
Scrip	Jackie Joiner
Cookie Dough	Jackie Joiner
Candy	Jackie Joiner

Chorus Website

The chorus website is available at www.decaturchorus.com. Look for updates, reminders, general information, and student forms. The current and previous newsletters are always available, as is current financial information. Pictures are available, as well on our Shutterfly site, <https://decaturchorus.shutterfly.com/>. The password (Sing) will help you access the pictures from previous performances.

