

The Chorus Line

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August 2010

Fundraisers for 2010-2011

Decatur High School Chorus students who wish to earn money toward their Italy trip or to pay Chorus Fee may do so by participating in fundraisers!

Available now.....

REUSABLE SHOPPING BAGS

Students may sell reusable shopping bags with the Decatur High logo for \$5. Half of the money is profit that you may use for your spring trip or chorus fee.

SHOPPING COUPON BOOKS

Students may sell the coupon books for Decatur/Huntsville businesses. The coupon book is \$20.00. The coupons are great! You must pay for these books in advance.

UPCOMING FUNDRAISERS

Candy Sales in September

Rada Knives: begins October 15

All orders turned in October 29

SEPTEMBER 7, 2010

Forms and Fees Due!!

- NOTARIZED Permission to Travel Form
- Online Student Information Submission
- Drug Testing Form (only 9th graders and new chorus students)

All Chorus students must have these forms completed for a grade. It is very important!

\$50.00 chorus fee also due. If you have a problem with the fee, it must be discussed with Dr. Davis. Fundraisers for chorus fees are currently underway.

If you have not attended a parent meeting, please call the chorus office (552-3017) or email Dr. Davis (carl.davis@dcs.edu) to schedule an appointment. Students cannot remain in chorus unless parents have met with Dr. Davis. ♪

Pansy Sale COMPLETED!!

Families participating in this fundraiser should note that the delivery date is **October 8, 2009**. The pansies will be picked up at the pavilion near the tennis courts at Delano Park.

Pansy flats cannot be stacked so prepare to use a large enough vehicle for the number of flats you need to deliver. Multiple trips can be made. Thanks for taking part in this fundraiser!

Chorus Calendar 2010-2011

September

- 6 Schools closed
7 Chorus Fees Due \$50.00

October

- 7-9 All State Show Choir Auditions (B'ham)
11 Schools closed
21 Parenting Day- students released @ 11:30

November

- 11 Schools closed
12-13 All State Chorus Auditions
18 All City Music Festival (Chamber Chorus Only)
Decatur Baptist Church @ 7:00 P. M. Rehearsal during school day
22-26 Schools closed
29 Oak Park Christmas Concert (Chamber Chorus Only) 6:00 P.M. Oak Park

December

- TBA Civitan Performance@ Holiday Inn 12:00 P.M.
10 Christmas Concert Dress Rehearsal (during school day for all choirs)
12 Christmas Concert (All Choirs) 2:30 P.M. Southside Baptist Church
16 Last day for students

January

- 5 First day for students
17 Schools closed
20-22 Alabama Music Educator's Winter In-service Conference Montgomery (Women's Chorus only)

February

- 10 Choral Performance Assessment, FBC Decatur (All Choirs)
15 Talent Show auditions after school
16-22 Writing Assessment (one day)
21 Schools closed
24 Talent Show rehearsal (evening)
25 Talent Show during school day
28 Graduation Exam Feb.28-March 4

March

- 1-5 Graduation Exam
24-26 All State Chorus Samford University, Birmingham
April

- 7-16 Spring Chorus Trip to Italy
11-15 Schools closed
22 Schools closed
29 Spring Concert dress rehearsal (during the school day)

May

- 1 Spring Concert (All Choirs) FBC Decatur
17 Chamber Chorus Auditions 3:30 P.M. Chorus Room
22 Baccalaureate
26 Last Day for Students
27 Graduation

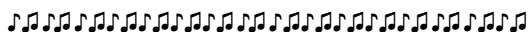


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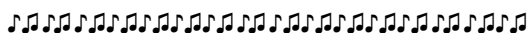
PARENT HELP NEEDED

Your help is needed on November 12-13, 2010, to assist with the All State auditions for the Decatur and Huntsville choral district. These auditions will be held at the Mayfair Church of Christ in Huntsville. Please contact Karen Spearman KarenSpearman@gmail.com or 256-476-7535 if you can help on either of these days. It will be necessary for you to speak with Dr. Davis and arrange a time to learn your role. This is a huge need for our chorus!



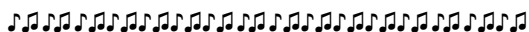
CHORUS WEBSITE

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. The password (Sing) will help you access the pictures from previous performances.



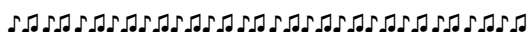
Spring Concert 2010 CDs Available!!

If you missed out on the CD of the Spring Concert last semester, you are in luck. They are available for \$10.00 from Dr. Davis.



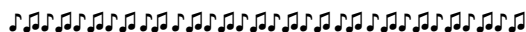
STATE LAW ON FUNDRAISERS

Please remember that money raised through fundraisers cannot be refunded due to state law. You may designate your funds to another student or donate them to the general chorus fund, but you may not receive a cash refund.



ALL- STATE CHORUS AUDITIONS

All-State Chorus Auditions will be held in November and the All-State festival will be at Samford University in March. Music will cost \$20.00 and is available now.

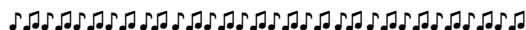


CONCERT ATTIRE

The dress for any chorus performance is as follows:

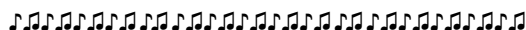
- Boys: black shoes (no tennis shoes), black socks, black pants and chorus shirt. Hair must be neatly secured out of face.
- Girls: black shoes (no tennis shoes and no open toed shoes). black hose (no bare legs or feet), black pants, chorus shirt, no earrings. Hair must be neatly secured out of face.

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 six-week's grade, a student could fail for not wearing proper attire. ♪



CONCERT ATTENDANCE

Please note that the Christmas and Spring Concerts count as the semester test for all chorus students. Therefore, participation is mandatory. The only excused absences are sickness verified with a doctor's note, court appearances, and school imposed conflicts.



FOR STUDENTS NEW TO CHORUS

NINTH GRADERS AND NEW CHORUS STUDENTS

PLEASE BE AWARE THAT ALL CHORUS STUDENTS MUST TURN IN SIGNED DRUG TESTING FORMS TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR PARTICIPATION IN CHORUS.





ITALY SPRING TRIP

IT IS NOT TOO LATE!!!

- Last day to sign up: Dec. 18!!
- **GET YOUR PASSPORT NOW**
- 55 signed up already
- Flights confirmed six weeks before departure
- Rooming lists to be completed in January
 - 4 per room in some hotels (students)
 - 3 per room in other hotels (students)
 - 2 per room all hotels (adults)
- See EF website for more information!!

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