

THE CHORUS LINE

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DECEMBER 2013

Congratulations to this year's DHS All State Chorus members!

La'Marcus Allen, Ayonna Baker, Leslie Bell, Katie Bibbee, Emery Davis, Julia Herda, Braxton Higdon, Juliana Lee, Rian Silvestri, Mimi Walker, Megan Webb, Oliivia Weimann, Jonathan Whitley, and Nathan Whitley

CHRISTMAS CONCERT CD'S AND DVD'S

are great mementos of your child's Chorus Concerts! CD's are \$5 and DVD's are \$10. Send a check with your child to school with the order form on the back of this newsletter.

Want to Chaperone the Chicago Trip?

Please let Dr. Davis know in writing by **December 19th.**

THANK YOU

everyone that helped before, during and after the Christmas Concert!

Sherry Abadie, Leah Archer, Melinda Baker, Farris Bell, Tony Bell, Earlene Busby, Stephen Brown, Tonya Brown, Lucinda Burchel, Ricky Clay, Diana Clemons, Julie Cochran, Missi Cranston, Beth Davis, Kelly Elmore, Tom Hall, John Henderson, Sarah Henderson, Michelle Hoffmann, Mike Limbaugh, Robin Limbaugh, Britt Lovelace, Sheryl Matthews, Kathleen Megehee, Karen Moore, Alicia Netherton, Stephen Powell, Sue Powell, Anne Price, Jim Riant, Christine Rogers, Deborah Rogers, Debbie Smith

If you have not been receiving emails or recorded phone calls

from Dr. Davis regarding chorus information, please send an email to Carl.Davis@dcs.edu and give us your correct information.

Chorus Calendar 2013-14

December

- 19 Lights of Love, Chamber Chorus only, Decatur Morgan Hospital 5:00 pm
- 20 Last day for students

January

- 7 First day for students
- 21 Talent show auditions
- 23-24 AVA Honor Choir, Renaissance Montgomery

February

- 7 Talent Show during school
- 28 Chorus scholarship applications due

March

- 10 State Choral Performance Assessment, Southside Baptist Church
- 10 Mandatory Chicago Trip parent's meeting, DHS cafeteria, 7:00 pm
- 19-23 Spring Trip to Chicago!
- 24-28 Spring Break

April

- 3-5 All State Chorus, Samford University
- 27 Spring Concert, all choirs, First Baptist Church, 2:30 pm

May

- 10 National Anthem at Braves Game (tentative), all choirs, Atlanta
- 15 Chamber Chorus auditions start at 3:30pm, chorus room
- 18 Baccalaureate, volunteer to sing
- 20 Developmental Center Graduation, volunteer to sing

Calling all Seniors

Apply for the 2014 Chorus Scholarships! Four scholarships will be awarded: two for \$1,000 and one each for \$900 and \$800.

Forms and requirements available online at www.decaturchorus.com/scholarships.

Chorus scholarship applications should be turned into Krista Givens (DHS room 102) by

Friday, February 28, 2014.

Don't wait until the last minute, do it now!

CHORUS BOARD MEMBERS

Director	Carl Davis
Assistant	Ginny Matherly
President	Kati Davis
Secretary	Leah Archer
Treasurer	Elaine Knight
Spring Trip	Drama Breland, Julie Cochran, Kristi Overbee
Chaperones	Karen Spearman
Robes	Debbie Smith, Tonya Jackson, Melinda Baker
Concerts	Kathleen Megehee
Talent Show/ Scholarship	Krista Givens
Transport./ Prof. Leave	Sarah Henderson
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Fundraising	Susan Neil
♦Pansies	Sue Powell
♦RADA	Tonya Herda
♦Scrip	Missi Cranston

Shop with Scrip!

Help raise money for Chorus by purchasing gift cards to businesses where you regularly spend money and a portion will be returned to your student's account!

Visit www.shopwithscrip.com choose the cards you want and text your order to Missi Cranston, 318-230-5435, or email Dr. Davis, Carl.Davis@dcs.edu, with: your name, your child's name, exactly what gift cards you want and their dollar amounts.

Send your check made payable to "DHS Chorus"

The 2014 Spring Trip is to...

CHICAGO



March 19–23, 2014

Activities to include:

- ♦ **Medieval Times Dinner Theater**
 - ♦ **Navy Pier**
 - ♦ **Willis (Sears) Tower**
 - ♦ **Shopping on the Magnificent Mile**
- ♦ **Museum of Science & Industry**

Payment Schedule

October	\$100.00
November 15th	\$150.00
December 15th	\$150.00
January 15th	\$150.00
February 15th	Remainder of the Balance is Due

Approximately \$650

The **2015** Spring Trip is to...

GREECE

- ◆ Roundtrip Air from Huntsville to Athens
 - ◆ 4 Night Accommodations in Athens
- ◆ Breakfast Daily and Most Dinners While in Athens
 - ◆ All Sightseeing While in Athens
 - ◆ Concert in Athens
- ◆ 5 Day/4 Night Cruise to the Greek Islands and Turkey Including All Meals and Shore Excursions
 - ◆ Trip Insurance

— go to <http://decaturchorus.com/chorus-trip> and click on “Download Trip Information” to see more details —

Approximately \$2900

payment plan available

Oct 2013– May 2014 \$200 per month

Aug 2014–Jan 2015 \$200 per month

Final payment Feb 2015

Spring Trip Payment & Refund Policy

1. All Cancellations must be received in writing prior to **December 16th** deadline. December 16th is a “use it or lose it” date. Any student with a balance of less than \$400 on December 16th forfeits all monies. The funds become non-transferable to another student on this date.
2. As of December 16th all monies paid on each student account become non-refundable and non-transferable.
3. Full payment must be received by February 15th. Failure to have all monies paid by this date will result in cancellation of your student’s space and any money already paid will not be refunded and cannot be transferred to another student.
4. If a student must cancel after December 16th (having greater than \$400 balance), that student may transfer any money paid to a “new” student. This cannot be a student already booked on the trip, in other words this “new” student must be a student who will take the place of the student who is canceling. This request must be submitted in writing. NO refunds or transfers of funds will be allowed after December 16th.
5. Regardless of when a student cancels, all fundraising money is nonrefundable but is transferable subject to the terms and conditions above.
6. If the director removes a student from the trip, for any reason, then all funds will be refunded (except funds generated through fundraising).
7. The only exception to the above policy would be in the event of a school related conflict which occurs after payments have been made. In this case the decision to refund will be determined by Dr. Carl Davis; however, no fundraising money is refundable for any reason (Alabama State Law).
8. To receive a refund for any overpayment you must submit a request for refunds in writing to the treasurer before the end of the school year in which the trip was taken. You may find a link to this form under the “forms” tab on the chorus website.

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CHARMS

New financial software is being used this year. If you were at the Greece trip meeting you received your www.CharmsOffice.com log on information. If you were not it was mailed to your house. Please follow the directions to log onto your account. If you need your log-in info email us at Carl.Davis@dcs.edu . The School Code is DecaturHSChoir.

All **Chicago** and **Greece** trip participants are ***required*** to log on and update your information.

No account balances are available on the chorus website this year. You must log on to your student’s Charms account to view balances.

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Christmas Concert DVD/CD Order Form

If you would like to purchase a DVD or CD of the Christmas Concert, please return this form with a check payable to **DHS CHORUS**. DVD's will cost \$10.00 and CD's will cost \$5.00.

Number of CD's (\$5/ea): _____ Number of DVD's (\$10/ea): _____

Student Name: _____

Parent or Guardian: _____

Address: _____

Phone number: _____