

The Frederick Children's Chorus

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Raising Young Voices In Song For 25 Years!

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Dear Parents:

By giving this letter to your child, your school music teacher or choir director has recommended that you consider enrolling your child in the Frederick Children's Chorus. Your child has demonstrated several qualities in music class or chorus, which make him/her a candidate for the Frederick Children's Chorus: a love of singing, a willingness to follow instructions and participate in musical activities, and an ability to accurately echo pitch and rhythm patterns.



Solo Opportunities!



Singing Is NOT A 'Girls Only' Sport!

The Frederick Children's Chorus is an independent, non-profit organization, and is not affiliated with any other organization, church, or school system. Children who enroll in the Chorus should be responsible and willing to make a commitment to the organization. The biggest commitment is time. Children attend one rehearsal each week but home practice is also required. The annual cost of participation \$350.00 (about \$10/week), is minimal compared to other activities and other children's choruses in the region.

Scholarships and payment plans are available upon request.

Since 1985, the chorus has accepted children in grades 2 - 5 who have shown a special ability to learn and perform music. Members of the chorus develop stage presence, correct vocal singing technique, and self-confidence. The children learn to sing in many languages. In 2009-2010 we have learned songs in German, Latin, Portuguese, Creole, and more! They are given the opportunity to develop an appreciation of many cultures as well as gain familiarity with poetry and sacred texts. Opportunities to host international choruses visiting our area, as well as travel are offered to chorus members. Lasting friendships are an outgrowth of meeting children from other parts of the county with a common interest. Parents, too, have developed lasting friendships.

New members will receive a complete rehearsal schedule in August. Most rehearsals are held on Tuesday evenings, with occasional rehearsals on other week nights and



Summer Camp Included In Annual Tuition!

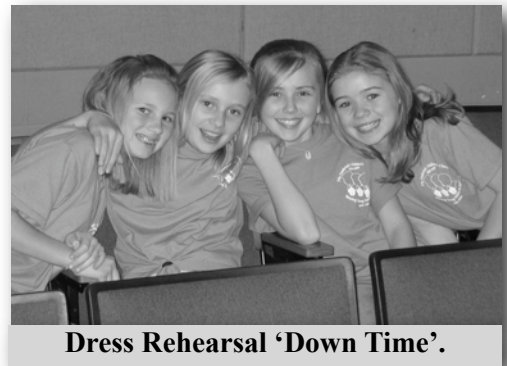


Saturdays, as concert dates approach. Two concerts are presented each year, in December and April/May. The Chorus schedule remains active from September through June of each year. Children must attend rehearsals and concerts regularly. Rehearsals are held in Frederick City and concerts are generally held in the county high schools.



I hope you and your child will plan to attend the next Children's Chorus concert on May 9, 2009 at 3:00 p.m. at the Weinberg Center for the Arts. By attending this performance you can observe how enriching an experience the Frederick Children's Chorus can be. The price of tickets is \$12.00/adults and \$6.00/children, and will be available at the door. Your school principal or music teacher may request free tickets on school letterhead in advance.

If you decide you would like your child to be considered for the chorus, please complete the enclosed application form and mail it to the chorus before May 1, 2010 and I will contact you regarding an orientation session on May 11th. Your attendance at this orientation is not a commitment to join the chorus, but is required for your child to be placed in consideration. If you do not receive a notification letter by May 8th, please call or email the chorus office. If, after attending the orientation, you decide not to pursue membership, kindly indicate you are not interested on the enrollment form and mail it before June 1.



I hope you will give this recommendation serious consideration. I know of nothing that compares with the joy shared by children when they sing together.

Sincerely,

Judith DuBose

Judith DuBose,
Founder and Director

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New Member Application Form

Please send no money at this time!

Complete One Form Per Child.

Complete and Return by May 1.

Enrollment will be limited!

Child's name: _____ Nick Name: _____

Gender: Male / Female (circle one) Child's Birthdate: _____ Age: _____ Grade in September 2010: _____

School currently attending: _____

School in Sept. 2010 (if different): _____

Please name the music teacher recommending your child: _____

Complete as appropriate:

Father's Name: _____ Mother's Name: _____

Employer: _____ Employer: _____

Occupation: _____ Occupation: _____

Work Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____

Email: _____ Email: _____

Child's Permanent Address:

Street: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____ Email Address: _____

Please list all musical activities in which your child has participated. Include school, private lessons, other community or church programs and instruments played. (Please use the back side if you run over.)

Mail to:

The Frederick Children's Chorus
Attn: New Member Application
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Information on this form will not be shared or sold. It is used solely for our purposes to serve you and you child in our musical mission.

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