

Oak Park High School Choir Membership 2019-20

Welcome to the new school year! At Oak Park High School, there are separate parent booster committees for each of the fine arts groups: band, drama, choir and comedy sports. To not put any additional pressure on parents to attend meetings for each of the booster groups, the OPHS Choir Boosters are only holding **ONE MEETING on Tuesday, September 4 at 7 p.m. in the OPHS Choir Room (B1). It is imperative that you attend this meeting.** At the meeting, you will learn critical details about the choir program, get vital information about upcoming events, and we will be asking for sign-ups for things we need your help with to make this year rewarding and fruitful for all the kids. The meeting is also fun and exciting because it will allow you to meet other choir parents and us! We can't wait to meet you, too!

As you might imagine, with the state of funding for a public school in California, the cost of the choir program is not wholly covered by the school district. Five main categories can summarize choir expenditures:

1. Music, Music Rental Fees	\$3000.00
2. Classroom supplies, costumes, etc.	\$1000.00
3. Professionals (Instrumentalists, clinicians, etc.)	\$3000.00
4. Scholarships, Awards, Festival Fees	\$2300.00
5. Bus Transportation to events	<u>\$3200.00</u>
	\$12,500.00

We offer our Choir Winter Concert and Spring Concert free to the public. However, through our ticket sales for our Disney Concert, Broadway Concert, Barbershop/A Cappella Night, and District Music Festival, we can bring this cost down to about \$6700.00. We do attempt one fundraiser (such as a car wash, etc.) to help with costs, but we also look to the families of approximately 65 students in our program to help us cover these expenses so that we can deliver a high-quality choir program for our students. If everyone helped, that is only about **\$104** per student!

Please know that the costs, donations, and participation in the fundraiser are **entirely optional**, and we appreciate any amount you can donate. Please also understand that ALL students will receive the same opportunities, experiences, and/or materials regardless of whether you make any contribution.

PLEASE help us help our kids. Your donations are tax-deductible, and because of you, the OPHS Choir can provide your student with a world class vocal music experience.

We sincerely thank you for your contribution.

Please make checks payable to: OPHS ASB with a notation of "Choir Membership"



OPHS Choir Membership Form for 2019-2020

Parent name(s) (*first & last*) _____

Child(ren)'s Name(s) in the Choir Program _____

Mailing Address _____

Home Phone # _____ Cell Phone# _____

Parent Email Address _____

Donation amount: _____

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact OPHS Choir Director: Ms. Heidi Cissell at the school email: hcissell@opusd.org