

McLean High School

Choral Parents Association



September 18, 2009

Dear McLean Choral Parents,

Welcome back to another great year at McLean High School! As you may have heard, the McLean High School Choir achieved another high note last season by ranking as the **Number 1 Public High School Choir** in the nation, and **9th overall** behind 8 excellent music and other private high schools!

To support all these efforts, we need your help. Although the county and school fully support our music programs, funding for these programs is not readily available. The school provides just \$2.00 per student, which is roughly a total of \$200.00 per year. This obviously is not enough to help defray expenses for the purchase of music and piano accompaniment, or provide for extra activities, support scholarships for qualified participants, or special choirs such as Madrigals, Armonia, Men's and Women's Choir. And, yes, there are families in our midst who cannot afford to individually contribute sufficiently for their children to participate in the choral programs.

Therefore, our efforts as parents and volunteers are of immeasurable importance.

Throughout the year, the McLean Choral Parents Association assists the Choral Department with a variety of activities and funding. Only with your continued support and renewed energy in replenishing the funds can we maintain and provide a legacy for the upcoming students like our predecessors did for us.

Major Activities throughout the year include:

- Seasonal Choral Concerts – both in school and district
- Holiday Concerts
- Boars Head Dinner
- National Choral Performance (travel)
- Project Enlightenment (at Mount Vernon) & Other concerts throughout the year

The activities, preparation and performances require funding far beyond what the school system provides. Thus, we urge you to become a member of the McLean Choral Parents Association (which is a non-profit 501(c) 3) and to consider joining at the "Director's Circle" level.

Become a Director's Circle Member

The Director's Circle is a concept based on similar programs instituted for other school programs. It allows parents and friends to support our music program at whatever level you are comfortable with, and provides unique benefits such as Holiday get-togethers, special mention in the program, preferred seating at all concerts, and other special invitations.

We are counting on your help. Please use the attached McLean Choral Parents Association membership form. Be sure to include your email address so we can keep you apprised of special events and program updates. Also, please indicate your area of interest for volunteering.

You are welcome to attend monthly Board meetings which are held the first Tuesday of each month at the Chesterbrook Starbucks at 7:30 pm. For more information, please contact us at www.McLeanChoral.org

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MHSCPA Membership Form

Please join the MHSCPA today! These funds help defray the costs of running our award-winning choral program and provide scholarship assistance to qualified students. The McLean High School Choral Parents Association is a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit corporation, and all charitable contributions are deductible to the extent allowed by law. We appreciate your help.

Name: _____

Phone: H) _____ W) _____

Email(s): _____

Address: _____

Student Name: _____

Check Membership/Donation Preference:

- \$30 Membership
- \$50 Circle Membership – includes Mention in all Choir Programs
- \$100 Bronze Circle Membership – includes Mention in all Choir Programs & Reserved Seating
- \$150 Silver Circle Membership – includes Mention in all Choir Programs
Reserved Seating
Holiday gathering
- \$300 Gold Circle Membership – includes Mention in all Choir Programs
Special Mention Option
Reserved Seating
Holiday gathering
- \$500 Director's Circle – includes Mention in all Choir Programs
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- \$ _____ Donation to help fund MHSCPA Scholarships (Specify amount)
- YES! I am interested in volunteering in the following area: _____

Please mail form and your check to: **McLean High School Choral Parents Association**

P.O. Box 624, McLean, Virginia 22101

Please contact us at www.McLeanChoral.org if you have any questions.