

# 2013-2014 WHHS Chorus Fundraising & Attire Details

## **FUNDRAISING**

Fundraising is a necessary part of any school music organization. Operating expenses for groups such as ours far exceed the dollars supplied by FCPS to the choral program. In order for the department to remain vital and offering quality experiences to our students, fundraiser participation is a necessity for each student. Money raised through fundraising and donations are used for many purposes over the course of a school year. Each student/family is asked to participate in the various fundraisers that are provided this year AND/OR give an In-Lieu-Of donation. This year we are purchasing new concert dresses for the women of the WHHS choral program. And we are also taking the Advanced Chorale to the *Sing 'n' Joy* international competition held at the end of November. These two items in addition to our yearly operating expenses will be a challenge to meet, but one we can certainly achieve!

Please keep in mind all of the often “unseen, behind the scenes” expenses when considering your level of commitment to fundraising. **Your help is a necessity to continue this outstanding program.** Thank you for your continued support with all of our fundraising endeavors!

## **Your fundraising efforts help provide:**

Chorus t-shirt	KMEA registration fees
Folders	All-State expenses
Music purchase	Instructional materials
Student consumables	Instructional videos
Attire repair, cleaning, replacement	Library storage
Classroom supplies	Office supplies, equipment
Classroom equipment	Guest clinician expenses
Posture chairs, music stands, sound panels	Mailing postage
Audio/video equipment	Student incentives
Performance space rental	Awards
Program printing	Electronic consumables (CDs, tapes, DVDs)
Festival/contest registration	Chaperone expenses

## **AND MORE...**

### **“IN-LIEU-OF” or OPT-OUT CONTRIBUTIONS**

This year, the booster board will again offer an “In-lieu-of” fundraising possibility for those who may be overburdened with several organizations to fund raise for or for those who would simply prefer not to sell items. The “In-lieu-of” program is intended to allow folks to still contribute to the organization allowing us to meet our fund-raising goals, but perhaps avoid selling items.

If this sounds like the right choice for you, Western Hills Chorus Boosters are suggesting a yearly in-lieu-of contribution of \$100. This in-lieu-of takes the place of your student participating in two major fundraising initiatives for the choir. These two sales include: **Sponsorship Campaign** and **Candy Sales**. \*Students are still able to participate in the fundraisers in addition to the “In-lieu-of” program if you wish.

“In-lieu-of” donations to the Western Hills Chorus Booster organization are **tax-deductible**.

### **This year’s planned fundraisers include the following:**

- \*Sponsorship Campaign (August 12 – 30)
- Litter Abatement (September 21)
- \*Candy Sales (November 4-26)
- Spring Sing Cabaret Show
- Kroger card (Yearlong)

**\*indicates fundraisers that are included in the “in-lieu-of” donation program.**

# Chorus Concert Attire & T-shirt

## For ALL Chorus Students

As being part of an organized group, the WHHS Choral Program also has uniforms in the form of concert attire and t-shirt. Students of the WHHS Choral Program are provided the opportunity to rent the concert attire (tux or dress) from the WHHS Chorus Boosters in the amount of **\$50**. This rental donation will be used for up-keep of choral attire such as cleaning, maintenance, and purchase of new attire. If this rental is not from the WHHS Chorus Boosters tuxedos must be rented from a local rental (i.e. Suit City) and/or tuxedos and dresses must be purchased from the attire company.

All students of the WHHS Choral Program will receive a group t-shirt. This t-shirt design is determined by members of the student leadership team and is prepared in time to wear for our Fall Concert. These t-shirts are also worn for various events within the school and outside of school.

\*As it is stated in the WHHS Choral Program Handbook, appropriate attire is required for participation in all performances.

\*Attire rental and In-Lieu-Of Fundraising 'donations' are also **tax-deductible**.

\*Free/reduced students are exempt from rental of concert attire from the WHHS Chorus Booster Club.

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## Choral Program Participation Worksheet

*Please complete and return with payment to Mrs. Marsh by Friday, August 16.*

*\*All checks made payable to Western Hills Chorus Boosters.*

### Fundraiser In-Lieu-Of Donation

I, \_\_\_\_\_, the WHHS chorus student/family would like to donate \$100.00 to the WHHS Chorus Boosters in-lieu-of participating in selected fundraisers for the 2013-2014 school year.

### Concert Attire Rental

I, \_\_\_\_\_, the WHHS chorus student involved, will rent attire from the WHHS Chorus Boosters in the amount of \$50.00.

### Chorus T-Shirt

I, \_\_\_\_\_, the WHHS chorus student involved will purchase choir t-shirt for \$13.00.

**Total amount paid:** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\*All checks made payable to Western Hills Chorus Boosters.

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For Office Use:

**Payment method:** Cash or Check      **Check number:** \_\_\_\_\_

**This form is due with payment to Mrs. Marsh by Friday, August 16.**