

KING'S KIDS CHOIR INFORMATION 2013-2014

Thank you for your interest in the King's Kids Choir!

For families with singers new to King's Kids: After reading the choir information, if you wish to pursue placement in the choir for your child, please email Melody Paules at paulesjr@windstream.net to schedule. A voice check is required before registration. You will be contacted to schedule a voice check and receive all necessary registration forms.

Returning singers should read the information and fill out the forms on pages 3-5 as instructed below.

- * *Singers must be able to match pitch and sing in tune within the choir's singing range.*
- * *Choir families and singers must have a commitment to conscientious involvement in the choir that includes practice at home and consistent attendance at rehearsals and concerts (see commitments below).*
- * *Membership in a CHEA affiliated support group is required to take part in the choir program.*

Registration Deadline is April 24, 2013

Basic Information

The King's Kids Choir is a treble choir for homeschooled children ages 11-14 and is part of the larger CHEA Choirs program. Singers must be 11 by Oct. 15. The choir focuses on developing good singing tone, learning to sing parts, and learning a variety of excellent music from many time periods and styles. Basic music history and theory instruction is often included, either in a separate class during rehearsal time or during the rehearsal itself.

Costs: Registration fee of \$35 per student and uniform rental fee (anticipated to be in the range of \$15 - \$25 for boys and \$25 - \$40 for girls). Other possible costs include theory class materials.

Rehearsals: Tuesday 3:15pm to 5:10pm in the Fireplace Room at Christ Covenant Church, Matthews, NC. We meet approximately from September to early December, and January to early May.

Choir Uniforms: Required uniforms are provided with a rental fee. The girls' uniform is a long dress with short sleeves; you will need to provide black dress shoes with no more than a 1½ inch heel and neutral hose. Boys will rent dress pants, tux shirt, cummerbund and bow tie. You need to provide black dress shoes and black socks.

Music: Music provided is the property of the choir and will be turned in at the end of the choir year. Parents will be responsible for paying replacement cost for any lost or damaged music. Singers will be provided with a choir binder and need to provide a zipper pouch and 2 pencils for the binder.

Contact information: You may contact the director with any questions or concerns.

Melody Paules
paulesjr@windstream.net
704-847-9064

Important information concerning required commitments is on the next page.

*****Read and consider carefully before deciding to enroll in choir*****

Is this choir a good fit for your child and your family?

- A choir is a team effort that depends on each member doing his part to work toward the group's success as well as his own personal growth. When even a small number of members are apathetic or antagonistic toward the goals of the group, it has a negative effect on everyone. For these reasons, please consider carefully whether involvement in choir is appropriate for your child. If your child doesn't *want* to be in choir, he/she must be *willing* to take part - learning the music at home, singing with the choir when it's time to sing and not being disruptive to the rest of the singers.
- A major focus of this choir is ministry – using the skills we learn to glorify God in service to others. We do this through:
 1. CHEA Singers fall and spring concert participation (attendance required)
 2. King's Kids Spring program for ministry at area retirement homes, nursing homes, and senior centers.
There may be 2 to 4 such concerts scheduled near the end of the spring semester, usually in late March through April. These concerts are scheduled on weekday mornings and evenings (as requested by the facilities we go to). Attendance at some of these is required.
- **Being in a choir involves more than just fitting rehearsal time into your schedule. Practice at home is required. Taking part in the ministry of extra concerts and programs is an important part of the choir experience for your child and is part of the commitment you are making. Be realistic about adding activities to your schedule and weigh your priorities as you make a decision about taking part in choir. If you have any questions about what is involved, please contact the director.**

By enrolling your child in choir, parents agree to the following (in addition to the CHEA Singers Requirements for Participants):

- Keep up with your email – check regularly for choir messages and respond as requested. You will also be required to join our online group home on Big Tent and keep up to date on information posted there and respond to sign up requests.
- Participation in our CHEA Choirs Fall and Spring Concerts is **MANDATORY**. These dates will be announced at the beginning of the choir year; please put them on your calendar as soon as they are published.
- Participation in additional concerts will be a priority, with attendance at some of them required. These dates will be established as soon as possible.
- Each child will adhere to high standards of behavior in rehearsal. In case of a behavioral issue a first warning will be given; with a second occurrence parents will be contacted. A third occurrence will be grounds for dismissal. A disruptive student will not be permitted to sabotage the choir experience for the other students.
- If your child is having a problem with another student, let the director know.
- Make attendance at rehearsals a priority. Notify the director if your child will be absent. Excessive absence will result in dismissal from choir.
- Make sure your singer is diligent completing homework assignments and learning music.
- EVERYONE will be expected to assist in rehearsal at least ONCE PER SEMESTER and fulfill one other job. (Exceptions are made for weekly workers with other choirs.)
- When you are scheduled for rehearsal assistant you actively monitor the children and make corrections when needed, help pass out materials, monitor the hallways and bathrooms during break, help put up the chairs and tables at the end of rehearsal, and otherwise assist as needed. Younger children are not permitted to come with you.
- Each family will be expected to fulfill an additional choir job responsibility, assigned by the director and based on job questionnaire responses.
- No food (except on party days!) is permitted in choir rehearsal – water bottles are fine. Let the director know if your child has a need for exception from this rule.

KING'S KIDS CHOIR 2013-2014 Registration

Registration Deadline: April 24, 2013

NOTE: *If you wish to register a child who is new to King's Kids, please contact Melody Paules (704-847-9064) or paulesjr@windstream.net to arrange a Voice Check before adding him/her to this form.*

To register complete ALL of the following steps:

- Read and consider King's Kids Choir Information (pages 1-2) and other related documents. Do not include these with your forms.
- Print and complete the following forms:
 1. This registration form (page 3)
 2. Parent Questionnaire (page 4)
 3. King's Kids Signature Page (page 5)

- Mail all 3 pages, with \$35 per student registration fee to:**

Melody Paules
229 Minden Lane
Matthews, NC 28105

Make checks payable to CHEA Singers

First Student

Name

_____/_____/_____
Birth date

Grade (2013-14)

List any instruments played and # of years studied

Previous CHEA Singers enrollment

_____ Name of Choir	_____ Dates of participation
_____ Name of Choir	_____ Dates of participation
_____ Name of Choir	_____ Dates of participation

Second Student

Name

_____/_____/_____
Birth date

Grade (2013-14)

List any instruments played and # of years studied

Previous CHEA Singers enrollment

_____ Name of Choir	_____ Dates of participation
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Parents' Names _____

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone (used in case of time sensitive messages) _____

Emergency Contact (for director's use in case of emergency during choir if unable to contact someone at above numbers)

Name & relationship

Phone number (s)

Email Address _____ Do you check your email at least once a day? _____

Parent Questionnaire

Parent's Name _____

What other CHEA Singers Choirs will you have children involved in this year?

Do you have musical training? If yes, in what areas? (play an instrument, have directed a choir, have a music degree, etc.)

Your honest answers to the following questions will help me in planning for the choir year. Thank you!

1. Our extra spring ministry concerts are usually on a weekday morning or evening. Please check below the statement that most closely corresponds to your student's ability to take part in these concerts.

_____ Barring illness or major family events, we will be there.

_____ We may have other classes or regular activities that conflict, but we would make ministry concerts a priority.

_____ We have (or may have) other classes or activities scheduled and will not take part in concerts that conflict with them.

Please indicate days and times and activities that would affect availability for participation in ministry concerts.

2. Please tell me why you want your child(ren) to take part in the King's Kids Choir and any important expectations you have for the choir year.

3. How does your child feel about being in the King's Kids Choir?

4. Are there any special issues for your child that I should know about?

5. Do you understand the requirements concerning concert attendance and learning music at home? _____

King's Kids Signature Page

In order to participate in the CHEA Singers Choir program, parents and choir students must sign below acknowledging your awareness of the requirements for membership and committing to abide by them. **Print, sign and include this signature page with your choir registration forms.**

I certify that I have read the following documents and understand the commitments required for participation in the choir, and I understand that failure to fulfill these requirements may result in dismissal from choir:

- Information on pages 1&2 of the Information & Registration
- CHEA Singers Requirements for Participants

Parent or Guardian

Date

I agree to abide by these requirements and commitments:

Parent

Date

Choir member

Choir member