

Melody Makers Choir Registration

For Boys and Girls, Ages – Five, Six, and Seven

Registration Deadline for ALL Applicants is May 31, 2023

A \$15 late fee will apply on all registrations postmarked after May 31.

Voice check will be in June. You will be notified by email dates & times.

Please PRINT in 2-SIDED MODE and STAPLE

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY: Melody Makers must be able to sing back a pattern of 5 -7 notes on correct pitch, sing from middle C to “E” one octave above middle C, sing the chorus of “Jesus Loves Me” and move up in half steps while singing fragments of the tune. All prospective Melody Makers should come to voice check prepared to sing a simple folk tune solo (**Twinkle, twinkle Little Star/Mary had a Little Lamb**). If you do not know if your child can meet these requirements, please ask a musical friend to help you decide before you come to the voice check. Students must be able to sit still and receive instructions. Further instructions will be in an email prior to voice checks.

IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR:

Thursday November 16, 2023 – Fall Concert

*Family Picnic Saturday Aug. 26, 2023, 4-6 @
Squirrel Lake Park*

Thursday April 26, 2024 -Spring Concert

Choir begins Tuesday Sept. 5, 2023

*Parent Meeting Tuesday Aug. 29, 2023, 3:30-5:15
@ Christ Covenant Church in WC105*

Ministry Opportunity performance TBD

IMPORTANT: *** All parents must read, agree to and sign the *CHEA Choir Requirements and Behavior Guidelines* (separate attachment). **This should be given to the director or administrator for YOUR OLDEST SINGER'S CHOIR.**

All parents helping on campus must be C.A.R.E. trained in keeping with Christ Covenant Church Policy.

A registration fee of \$85 per student must accompany this form to reserve your space. Upon confirmation of choir membership, the registration fee is non-refundable. You may send check (payable to **CHEA Singers**) to the address below **OR** send to our treasurer via VENMO: @daniel-miller-761 (last 4 digits of his phone# 2049). Please note your child's name and choir's name in the memo box.

Rebekah Hopkins – 1001 Semmes Lane Indian Trail, NC 28079

Student Name _____ Birthdate _____ Age _____

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Parents' Names _____ Phone _____

Address _____ State _____ Zip _____

Email _____

Sponsor a Singer Fund Opportunity:

We invite you to consider giving your support to help other homeschooling children in our community join CHEA Singers. We want to welcome all homeschooling children who qualify for membership. Would you consider donating to sponsor another singer join us this fall? You may include your donation in fee payment, noting donation amount.

VERY IMPORTANT INFORMATION

1. All choir communication will come via **SLACK** so you **MUST** check regularly.
2. **Please mark your calendar for our ANNUAL PARENT meeting [Tuesday Aug. 29, 2023](#)**
@ Christ Covenant Church in WC105 from 3:30-5:15. We will go over all choir details, expectations for the year and pass out music for the semester. I cannot stress the importance of this meeting. You must make every effort to be at this meeting.
3. **Please mark your calendar for our Family picnic [Saturday, August 26, 2023](#)** location Squirrel Lake Park from 11:00-1:00. This is not mandatory but would be a great opportunity to get to know our new and returning families. Please make every effort to come.
4. **Uniform fees** - ALL Melody Makers girls pay a \$40 security deposit for uniforms that is returned when dress is turned in.
5. **Rehearsals:** Tuesdays from 3:30-5:15 in the worship center in room WC105 at Christ Covenant Church Matthews, NC. We meet approximately from September – Mid-November and January – April.
6. **Parents** agree to teach song words & hymns to students and agree to play the CD 4-5 times per week. I cannot stress enough parental involvement at this age. Most students will not be reading and will need parental help to have the confidence to sing well each week in rehearsal.
7. **Music:** Music is the property of the choir and must be returned at the end of the year.

Commitments required:

- Signed agreement to CHEA Singers Requirements for Participating Families and Liability Waiver and Photo waiver forms at choir webpage: <https://www.cheaonline.com/choir.html>. This will go to the oldest child's choir director. Please let me know if you have children in another choir.
- Attend Mandatory Melody Makers meeting before choir begins. This meeting will be held, **[August 29, 2023](#)**, location **[Christ Covenant Church – Worship Center rm 105 3:30-5:15](#)**
- CHEA Singers Fall, and Spring Concert participation is mandatory. **[Nov. 16, 2023/April 25, 2024](#)**
- Participation in Melody Makers programs for ministry opportunities (previous ministry has included singing at a local nursing home once per semester)
- Check **SLACK** frequently for choir updates. Respond to requests in a timely manner.
- Adhere to the Code of Conduct.

- Make attendance at rehearsals a priority. Notify the director if your child will be absent.
Excessive absence may result in dismissal from choir.
- Make sure your singer is diligent in completing homework assignments and learning music.
- Fulfill 2 choir jobs responsibilities, assigned by the director based on job questionnaire response.

Melody Makers Job Opportunities

Each parent must support the choir through two jobs or services. To match you with your preferred jobs, please mark at least 3 jobs with a 1, 2, or 3 (1 being your most preferred). In addition, please place an X beside any job that you would be willing to perform if your first 3 choices are not available. I will do my best to assign preferred jobs.

- Accompanist – plays piano for rehearsal and/or concerts – must be able to play a single line of music, sight read and keep up with the director. Also be able to sight read. (1)
- Childcare worker – help watch director’s children on a weekly basis (2) (Will need to be CARE TRAINED)
- Childcare worker sub – volunteer needed in the event weekly babysitter unavailable (2)
- CD Maker – Burns choir CD’s and replaces lost CDs for \$2.50 per CD (1)
- Choir Administrator – Assists Director with Administrative communications, able to be in weekly rehearsals. Sends updates weekly via SLACK. Sends reminders as needed, helps coordinate costumes as needed, Connects with director, encourages children to listen, loves on your children. (1)
- Concert Parent/Props coordinator – Attends two rehearsals prior to concert and helps concert night– takes children to bathroom and corrects behavior as needed. Responsible for acquiring/assembling needed props for concerts & works with director. Expense from choir fund. Also places sign for MM parents and families for both concerts. (2)
- Copier – Responsible for making copies of various handouts. (1)
- Hymn Coordinator – Coordinates with hymn listener moms, keeps track of student progress throughout the year, and keep in touch with the director and purchases hymnals expensed from choir funds. (1)
- Hymn Listeners – Moms come in to listen to hymn of the month 15 min. prior to the end of rehearsal.
Must know hymns. Occurs on the fourth Tuesday of the month (3)
- Weekly mom – Sits with choristers and actively helps Director during rehearsals, - ie – keeping children focused, helping with games/crafts. Assists students in breaks for bathroom and water, make-up hymn listening, or first aid (if needed). (2)
- Backup Mom – can be on campus as needed for whole choir period (2)
- Nursing Home contact – Calls Carrington Place Nursing Home to reserve days/times for our Carrington Ministry or other performance locations (Matthews Glen). **Coordinates with Kings Chorale.** Check with Director for dates. (1)
- Social Coordinators (1) - Plans and coordinates parties/socials for the year. May determine food, assign food and arrange facilities. One coordinator for each party” Christmas, Valentines and Spring. Also finds extra help for events on campus, **aware of food allergies**

__Social Coordinator assistants (1) – can be on campus to assist with party/details. Will coordinate with main coordinator

__Thank-you gifts – Purchase thank you gifts for workers each semester. Discuss with director who receives these gifts. Expense from choir fund. (2)

__Uniform coordinator – Keeps track of uniforms for the year. Responsible for giving right size uniform to each student in Fall and collecting clean uniforms after Spring Concert, and returning security deposit for uniforms (1)

__Uniform Assistant – helps uniform coordinator. (1)

__Weekly Snack Mom – Provide healthy snacks (pretzels, graham crackers, fruit, veggies or other ideas). Responsible for checking quantity and purchasing as needed. Expense from choir fund. (1)

Questionnaire:

1. Are you available to be on campus and assist during **rehearsal** if needed? _____ If no, please explain _____
2. Do you have other children participating in the CHEA SINGERS program? _____ If yes, which choir(s)? _____
3. Do you have any musical background i.e. piano, other instrument _____ If so, what instrument(s)? and would you be willing to assist the choir if asked? _____
4. What are the ages of all your children? _____
5. Does your singer have any allergies? _____ If yes, please list _____

Please make sure all forms are filled out completely w/registration fee. This reserves your space.

CHECKLIST: Registration form _____

Job form _____

Questionnaire _____

Check made out to CHEA SINGERS _____

**Code of Conduct/Waiver and Release form All 3 pages stapled,
signed and dated (List choir of oldest student) _____**

Photo waiver form (List Choir of oldest student) _____

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me

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