Dear Choir Parents, Oct. 29, 2024

SwingFry is just three weeks away! Below you will find some information that will help you and your family plan for the big event! This is the Annual Northridge Choirs Fundraiser. We will be having a big party over at NHS filled with food and entertainment on Sat. Nov. 16. Dan's All You Can Eat Chicken and Fish will be served in the cafeteria and every middle school and high school choir will be performing in the auditorium for their scheduled time. Each choir with their specials will have approximately 20 minutes on stage. You may come and go before or after any set of songs.

Please remember that this is a Fundraiser. Prices are higher than a normal meal price so that we can raise money. Selling tickets for the dinner, selling bake sale items, making money off of the Silent Auction, and funds raised from the concession stand will help us build our MMPA accounts to help us fund NMS and NHS Choir Department needs throughout the year. Pleeeeze invite family and friends to help us raise money for our kids. These links will be found on the Northridgechoirs.com website. Links for Volunteering Position <a href="https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D4DAAAE2AA2F4C52-51205896-2024#/">https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D4DAAAE2AA2F4C52-51205896-2024#/</a> WE ASK THAT ALL CHOIR PARENTS WORK TWO SHIFTS. You will find all kinds of jobs to pick from. This is a very big party and we cannot do it without everyone's help!

Additional links for Bake Sale and Silent Auction Donations can be found there as well. <a href="https://northridgechoirs.com/mmpa-parents-2/">https://northridgechoirs.com/mmpa-parents-2/</a> There will also be a link for you to buy your dinner and show tickets. <a href="https://northridgechoirs.ludus.com/">https://northridgechoirs.ludus.com/</a> Students don't need to pay for the shows because they get in free to all of them, (but they will need dinner tickets if eating at the event).

We will be having a mandatory dress rehearsal for all choir students after school on Thursday, November 14. Students do not need to dress in their outfits for this rehearsal. It will be at the high school so you will pick up your child there. See below for the time and location:

## Dress Rehearsal, NHS Auditorium, Thursday, November 14

- 1. Parent Volunteers who signed up for treats please send in treats or water for Dress Rehearsal. Have your child drop them off in the choir room that morning.
- 2. Students will be either walking over to the high school, or riding buses, depending on the weather. Students should bundle up for the short walk! After the rehearsal students will be dismissed to a specific door for pickup in hopes of reducing the waiting lines in the parking lot.

6<sup>th</sup> graders should be picked up at 5:40 at Door 23 (Back side of NHS closest to US20. Pool Parking Lot.

7<sup>th</sup> graders should be picked up at 5:50 at Door 1 (Front of NHS in teacher's parking lot.

8<sup>th</sup> graders should be picked up at 6:00 p.m. Door 29 (Back side of NHS Band Parking Lot ...which is the side opposite of the Pool Parking area).

Knight Light Students will rehearse until 6:45 p.m. All Knight Light students should be picked up at Door 23 (Back side of NHS closest to US20. Pool parking lot.

## SHOW DAY - SATURDAY NOV 16TH students should be in the NHS Band room <u>30 minutes before their</u> performance times:

3:10 pm - 6th Grade, 3:30 pm - Chamber Lights, 3:50 pm - 7th Grade, 4:10 pm - Varsity Lights, 4:30 pm - 8th Grade, 4:50 pm - Just the Gals Middle School, 4:55 p.m - Just The Guy, 5:10 pm - Starlights Concert, 5:30 pm -Northern Lights, 6:00 pm-NHS Jazz Band, 6:20 pm - Knight Lights, 6:40 pm - Northern Lights/Starlights

## PLEASE NOTE:

\*\*\*Students will be asked to watch at least 2 other choirs perform their set before going home. Our choirs learn so much by watching other choirs perform! This will help them complete a written critique assignment on Monday.\*

If you can't stay for them to watch the two 20 minute performances, we have a make-up assignment that they can be given to complete at home. The groups that they watch are up to you, and your own schedule. We encourage our parents to sit with their children to monitor their behavior and enjoy this experience together. If you are working a volunteer shift or unable to sit with your child we would like our students to sit in the reserved seating made available for them so that they can be monitored

What our kids should be wearing for their show: (NOT FOR DRESS REHEARSAL) BOYS: Black pants, black socks, black shoes (may be tennis shoes), white long sleeve shirt with a collar. A clip-on tie will be given to them when they arrive. GIRLS: Black knee length skirt (or longer), black dress shoes (no flip flops or tennis shoes), White blouse with a collar that buttons closed. They will receive a rosette tie to put on when they arrive. No colored cami's or t-shirts under the white shirt please. No biker shorts, or black hose under the skirts. No hose or tights are necessary.

## **VOLUNTEER INFORMATION**

- **Dress Rehearsal Chaperones** will meet Mrs. A in the NMS Choir room on Thursday, Nov. 9 at 2:45. You will be given instructions at that time. You should be finished around 6:15 p.m. A rehearsal outline will be sent home to you with detailed instructions the day before dress rehearsal.
- Chaperones for SwingFry Concert Day should meet their choir in the bandroom at NHS 40 minutes before the performance times listed above. You will be asked to take attendance on the clipboards and assist the kids as they put their ties on ③.
- Treats and Water reminders will be phoned next week. Please drop them off Thursday morning, Nov 9th.
- A complete list of each grade's parent volunteers (treats, water, dress and show chaperones) may be found on the <a href="maschoir.org"><u>nmschoir.org</u></a> website under the Sign-Up Genius page. The NHS sign up for SF Day volunteers is here: <a href="https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D4DAAAE2AA2F4C52-51205896-2024#/">https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D4DAAAE2AA2F4C52-51205896-2024#/</a>
- If you signed up to help out at SwingFry as a server, greeter, etc. Your committee chair should be contacting you with details soon. (\*If you can wear white shirts and black pants as you volunteer, please do.)
- If you signed up to send in Baked Goods for the bake sale you can drop your items off in the high school auditorium lobby on Friday Nov. 15th, from 3:00 7:00 or Saturday, Nov. 16th from 10:00 2:00 p.m.

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