Good Afternoon Chorus Parents -

I hope everyone is enjoying the long weekend and surviving the late season heat wave. I have a number of key updates and attachments for you. I know this email is long but please take a second to read through it. As always, if you have any questions, please don't hesitate to reach out.

Thanks, Michelle Spratt

September 10	Youth Chorus Kick-Off - See Below (not FCPS sponsored)
Sept 5 & Sept 11, 6:30 - 8:30 pm	Uniform Fitting
September 20	Booster Meeting - Don't Miss the Fun!
September 22	Woodson Pyramid Sings the National Anthem at Woodson Home Football Game
September 26, 4:00 - 8:00 pm	Restaurant Night at Noodles & Co. (flyer attached)
September 29	Spirit Wear Store closes
October 14	TAG DAY

Notable Dates

- Booster Meeting Slides and Minutes Attached is the Presentation and Minutes from the 8/28 Booster Meeting. Thanks to everyone who attended. Included in the slides are Key Upcoming Dates and volunteer opportunities. One item I want to highlight is the Bylaw Project. Our Bylaws haven't been revised since 2003. We went over some of the proposed revisions and got comments for a few more. The revisions will be presented and distributed at our next Booster meeting with a vote planned for November 2, 2023.
- 2) <u>Next Booster Meeting</u> **Wednesday September 20th**. 7pm Chorus Room. Please mark your calendars now. We will be talking about Tag Day our biggest fundraiser of the year. We will need lots of help!
- <u>Uniforms</u> All Chorus Students need a uniform. Students can sign up for fitting time slots on the sign up sheet posted in the Chorus room. Time slots are between 6:30 and 8:30 pm on Tuesday, September 5 and Monday, September 11. Detailed instructions are attached.
- 4) <u>Raise Right</u> We talked about Raise Right at the Parent Orientation. This is a unique way to raise money for your student's Spring Trip. Balances can be carried over year to year and passed down to other family members. The flyer is attached with the enrollment code.

- 5) <u>Chorus Calendar</u> We are trying a new method of sharing dates this year, the <u>Chorus</u> <u>Calendar</u>. This should be accessible by all emails, not just gmail. However, if you are a gmail user, you can integrate it with your own gmail calendar by adding it under "other calendars."
- 6) <u>Help Wanted</u> Since our last Booster Meeting, the one remaining position on the Board is Community Outreach. If you are interested, let me know. We also have several ongoing projects. If any seem interesting, email me and we can talk.
- 7) <u>Spirit Wear</u> Our new designs are here! Order your Spirit Wear using the QR code on the attached flyer.
- 8) <u>Optional Community Opportunity</u> This coming weekend there is a Kick Off for a new area Youth Chorus. This is not FCPS sponsored. If students are interested, it's a great opportunity to work with a Community Chorus from the ground up.

The Alexandria Harmonizers and Metro Voices invite young singers (rising 8 -11 graders) and their parents to attend a FREE youth chorus kickoff event. The youth will spend the afternoon singing with others in the a cappella style, hearing some fantastic performances by world-class a cappella singers, enjoying some refreshments, and learning about how to become part of a brand-new youth chorus that will be starting this fall. Parents will meet the chorus organizers and learn specific information about the new chorus, named Capital Force!

Mark your calendars, register using the QR code below, come sing with us and learn about this opportunity. There is no obligation.

Questions? Email capitalforce@harmonizers.org

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2023 1:00 - 4:30 PM Clarendon Presbyterian Church 1308 North Irving Street Arlington, VA 22201



Attachments: Booster minutes, Booster slides, Raise Right flyer, Uniform Fitting, Spirit Wear, Restaurant Night