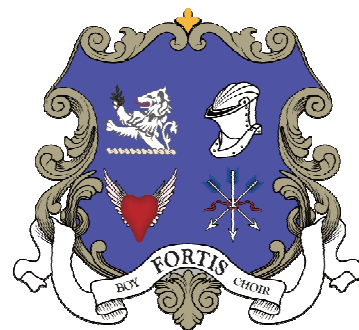


Fortis Boy Choir

Audition Form



Student Information:

Child's Name (Chorister) _____

Age _____ Grade _____ School _____ Birthday (MM/DD/YYYY) _____

Do you currently participate in any other choirs? Yes____ No____

If so where? _____

Have you taken voice lessons? Yes ____ No ____

If yes, with whom and how long? _____

Do you play any instruments? Yes ____ No ____

If yes, what instrument and how long? _____

Have you ever received any music awards, recognitions, honors? Is there anything else you would like to tell us about yourself? Go ahead and impress us!

Guardian(s) Name; _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Best Phone to reach you? (____) _____ Other phone? (____) _____

Best email to reach you? _____

(Please see back of page for audition information.)

We are very excited that you are interested in auditioning for the Fortis Boy Choir!

FORTIS BOYCHOIR MISSION STATEMENT

The FORTIS BOYCHOIR Organization provides boy choristers a unique opportunity to instill positive and beneficial qualities in themselves; it is the mission of the FORTIS BOYCHOIR to provide the skills and training essential for lifelong learning through the finest music education in the boy choir tradition. We will create a supportive and positive environment that develops discipline, self-esteem and maturity, which aid in the transformation of young boys into young men. In order that this mission is realized, the FORTIS BOYCHOIR music program will include parent and community involvement, high expectations, a strong commitment to excellence and quality instruction for all choristers.

Auditions:

We try to make the audition process as simple and relaxed as possible. The actual audition will take just a few minutes to complete. The audition will begin with a few brief vocal exercises to determine range, and then students will be asked to sing a prepared song in the Classical, Folk or Art Song genre. Some excellent choices would be "My Country Tis of Thee", "Happy Birthday", "We Wish You a Merry Christmas", "Deck the Halls", or "The Water is Wide." There are many other appropriate song choices, as well. Pop and Country are not acceptable choices. Students will then be given a series of tonal memory exercises to test ear training (repeating pitches and patterns). Students and families will be notified of audition results immediately after the audition or by phone in the following days.

Fees:

The Fortis Boy Choir will operate on semesters, from August-December and January-May. The cost for all choir members is \$50 per semester. If a family has financial difficulty and are unable to pay the complete tuition fee please contact Larry Cooper to discuss our scholarship programs. We offer multi-student discounts for families with more than one child in the program. We sponsor several significant fund raising projects throughout the year, which include a Christmas Concert and our annual Spring Concert. However, even with our efforts to fund the organization we fall short of our annual budget because of a variety of expenditures. We expect you and your son to be involved in these and other fund raising projects throughout the year

If we have summer and winter camps these normally involve a camp fee, which is dependent on the length of stay. The concert uniform, music, folders, printing, and other equipment and supplies are all currently funded by your Choir fee, but there may be additional cost associated with membership!

From time to time the choir may be invited to sing at a special event outside of the normal semester dates. These events are always a great learning experience. Choir members are urged to attend but this will be considered a volunteer experience and many times just a small or medium group of boys will be needed.

The Fortis Boy Choir fee must be paid by the first rehearsal of each semester.