North Carolina Boys Choir and Girls Choir

General Information – Fall 2024

Choir Website

General information about the choir can be found on the choir website at https://ncboyschoir.org. The password-protected Member Space (https://ncboyschoir.org/member-space/) should be your destination to find the most up-to-date schedule and information.

Online Registration

All choristers must register online each semester.

The address of the registration form is the following: https://forms.gle/2a9tzJrJoAJ6umVx7.

Rehearsal Schedule

The regular rehearsal schedule for each choir is shown below. For specific rehearsal dates, visit the <u>Member Space</u> of the choir website for links to the official public calendar for each choir. Choristers will be notified by email of any changes or additions to this schedule. Unless otherwise announced via email or on the official choir schedule, all rehearsals will take place in the sanctuary of Binkley Baptist Church (<u>1712 Willow Dr. Chapel Hill, NC 27514</u>).

Training Choir: Saturdays 9:00-10:00 AM

Concert Choir: Tuesdays 7:00-8:30 PM

Saturdays 10:30 AM-12:00 PM

Prima: Tuesdays 6:00-7:30 PM

Saturdays 9:30-11:00 AM

Chamber Choir: Tuesdays 8:00-9:00 PM

Rehearsal Details

One of the choir's primary goals is to keep choristers, staff, and their families as safe as possible. Students will remain in their respective choir for in-person rehearsals. Any materials (hard copies) will be distributed safely. The choristers will keep their own music folder. (Please provide your student with a pocket-folder large enough to hold 8 1/2 x 11 paper.) Choristers should bring their own water bottle if desired for use during rehearsal.

If your chorister is diagnosed with COVID-19, inform choir staff immediately! Also, choristers should not attend rehearsal if they are sick or are exhibiting any COVID-19 symptoms, including fever/chills, cough, shortness of breath, fatigue, new loss of taste or smell, sore throat, or nausea.

For more information about rehearsal safety protocols, COVID-19 protocols, and behavioral expectations, please see the <u>choir website</u>.

Rehearsal Chaperones

For accountability purposes, the choir requires one designated parent/guardian representative that is not on the choir staff to be present with the children at every rehearsal. Choir families are expected to volunteer as a chaperone at least twice during the semester. Please read the information and sign up to serve as a chaperone on the <u>website</u>.

Choir Google Calendars

The choir maintains a public Google calendar for each choir that is kept up to date with any changes that are made. Changes will also be announced via email. It is possible to add choir calendars to your own Google calendar for viewing on your phone or on the web. Please see below for the link(s) for your choir(s).

Training Choir
Prima
Concert Choir
Chamber Choir

Tuition and Fees

For the Fall 2024 semester, tuition fees for all choirs are due by Saturday, September 28. Information about tuition and fees can be found on the choir website (https://ncboyschoir.org/tuition-fees-scholarships/). Tuition payments are exclusively accepted online via PayPal/credit card. Payment links can be found on the choir website. If the amount you owe will be adjusted by sibling discounts or a need-based scholarship, you will be sent a customized invoice with your tuition fee, which can be paid online. The choir no longer accepts checks/cash for tuition payments.

The per-semester tuition fee for each choir is listed below:

Training Choir: \$210 Prima: \$425 Concert Choir: \$425

Chamber Choir: \$155 (this fee is only applicable to choristers not also participating in Concert Choir)

Sibling Discount: There is a 25% sibling discount that applies to each additional sibling after the first and most expensive sibling's tuition is paid in full. If you would like to have this discount applied, please contact treasurer@ncboyschoir.org with your information to be sent an invoice for the total amount.

Need-Based Scholarships: Sliding-scale need-based scholarships are available for choristers. Scholarships are designed to partially defray costs associated with tuition payments and are awarded twice a year. If you would like to apply for a scholarship discount, please submit your <u>application form</u> to <u>treasurer@ncboyschoir.org</u>. Once your application has been submitted and processed, you will be sent an invoice for the total amount.

Additional Fees: All choristers are responsible for purchasing their own uniforms (see the Uniform Guidelines section). Concert Choir, Prima, and Chamber Choir may incur touring costs. Specific tour estimates will be posted as soon as tour dates and destinations are set.

Uniform Guidelines

The choir has a number of different uniform requirements for boys and girls. Each uniform has its own purpose and will be required to be worn for certain events and functions. The purpose of the uniforms is to have a consistent dress code that represents our organization in public as a unified group of professional choral ensembles. The uniform guidelines can be found on the website at https://ncbovschoir.org/uniform-guidelines/.