

Northwood Choral Music Boosters, Inc.

A group of parent volunteers whose mission is to support the Northwood Choral Music Department with student, infrastructure, and financial support.



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The Grammy award-winning choral music program at NHS emphasizes the enrichment of your student's education, utilizing the creative power of the mind, and provides your student with the best choral music educational experience possible. Studying choral music will enhance every subject area for your student. In a recent study, students with music performance coursework scored higher on the SAT: 57 points higher on the verbal and 41 points higher on the math. By studying choral music, your student will demonstrate profound growth in knowledge, wisdom, and the confidence to interact well in our increasingly complex world. Our program here at NHS is packed with benefits for your student.

Our six choral ensembles will each perform five concerts throughout the year. They will travel to and perform in competitive festivals, receive master class instruction from trained music professionals, and continue to enjoy championship success. Your student performer will receive a superior education from this program.

As you might expect, keeping a program such as ours thriving amidst continuing periods of budget belt-tightening is difficult. At NHS, most of the funding needed to help keep the choral music program vibrant must be raised by the Northwood Choral Music Boosters. To remain viable, the choral program suggests a minimum of \$125 per student. With that tax-deductible contribution to our state recognized 501(c)(3) organization, you are investing in what will likely become the most memorable high school experience for your student and you! If you are unable to contribute financially, please consider providing much needed volunteer time.

We need your financial help to provide a successful program for your deserving student. Examine the list below, and you will see some of the necessary expenditures. Each item on the list contributes to the framework of our program. Without your help, almost every item on the list will not be possible, and we will also lose half of our planned performances.

- Accompanist - the critical piece in making our program the best it can be
- Sheet music - new music and music commissioned exclusively for NHS
- Master Class - professional artist fees, planning, and logistics
- Supplemental educational materials
- Festivals - transportation, registration, incidentals
- Wardrobe - repair and stock of some accessories
- Marketing & communications - postage, printing, photography, and webpage
- Awards and pins
- Piano tuning
- Programs and tickets
- Incidental musicians other than pianist
- Recordings/Videos
- Performance enhancements - stage decorations and accessories

We realize this is not your only expense while enrolling your son or daughter in high school. If you are unable to provide the suggested donation, please contact us regarding other opportunities. Please feel free to contact the Booster Club President, at northwoodchoralboosters@gmail.com or Choral Music Director, Zach Halop at zhalop@iusd.org or 949-936-7254.

Please complete and return the information in this packet. Thank you for your commitment to help provide a cornerstone for your student's education. With the program Mr. Halop has planned, combined with the enthusiasm and dedication of everyone, choral music will know no boundaries at Northwood High.

Serving our students together,

Northwood Choral Music Booster Board Members