

May 28, 2009

Dear Taylor Choir Parent,

The choirs of James E. Taylor H.S. travel to New York City to sing a concert with other singers in the famed Carnegie Hall. Josef Haydn's masterpiece "Lord Nelson Mass" will be presented in mass choir with orchestra and guest soloists, Tuesday evening, January 19. Taylor's head choir director Kevin Riehle, will be conducting.

Trip includes concert package with Distinguished Concerts of New York International, hotel, airfare, transfers, attractions such as Empire State building, Metropolitan Museum of Art, a Broadway show, sightseeing, and lots of memorable experiences to last a lifetime!

Here are several important notes:

- The "No-Pass No-Play" Rule applies for the New York Trip. Students who are ineligible due to failing incomplete grades will not be able to attend. **Students who are unable to attend due to ineligibility will not receive any refunds.**
- The total cost of the trip is not precisely set at this time, but we expect the final amount to be approximately \$1500 per student and \$1200 chaperone. An increase in fuel cost could potentially push this figure up a bit.
- Fund raising opportunities for both students and parents will be available through the Taylor Choir and Taylor Choir Booster Club.
- All students traveling are required to pay a **non-refundable** trip deposit of \$250 by July 1, 2009. Chaperone deposits (also \$250) are also due at this time. Amounts larger than \$250 will be gladly accepted.
- Parents interested in chaperoning should check the appropriate box on the student commitment form. Chaperone commitments must be made by August 1, 2009, one month after the student commitment date.
- Every person (students and chaperones) must complete a separate commitment form. There are unique commitment forms for students and for chaperone. All checks should be made payable to "**Taylor High School**". One check may cover multiple deposits.
- Questions can be directed to Kevin Riehle, Director of Choral Activities, at 281-237-9264, or Lolly Cudney, Taylor Choir Booster Club President.

Student commitment form and \$250 deposit due July 1, 2009

Chaperone commitment form and \$250 deposit due August 1, 2009

**James E. Taylor High School Choir – New York City: Carnegie Hall
January 16 – 20, 2010**

**STUDENT
Commitment Form
DUE: JULY 1, 2009**

PLEASE PRINT:

Last Name _____ First Name _____ MI _____

2009 - 2010 Grade Level _____ Choir _____

Mailing Address _____

City, State Zip _____

Father's Printed Name _____

Father's Phone numbers: Home _____ Work _____ Cell _____

Mother's Printed Name _____

Mother's Phone numbers: Home _____ Work _____ Cell _____

Parent email address 1 _____

Parent email address 2 _____

My signature verifies that I understand my commitment to the James E. Taylor High School Choir Trip scheduled for Saturday, January 16 – Wednesday, January 20. This form must be completed, signed and returned with a non-refundable deposit of \$250 attached by Wednesday, July 1, 2009.

I agree to stay current with minimum amounts due for the trip. Minimum payment schedule is as follows:

- June 4, initial deposit—\$250
- July 1—\$250 (can pay \$500 total at this time, \$250 of which is non-refundable deposit)
- August 1—\$250
- September 1—\$250
- October 1—\$250
- November 1—\$250

If the student is unable to travel on this trip after money has been paid, money can be refunded on only a very limited basis. Amounts due and timing of payments are calculated so that payments due to service providers can be met in a timely manner. Once money received from a student is used to pay an invoice, the money cannot under any circumstances be recovered from a service provider and refunded.

Student Signature _____ Date _____

Parent Signature _____ Date _____

Please check this box if interested:

I am interested in being a chaperone for the Taylor Choir trip to New York/Carnegie Hall.

Name: _____

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CHAPERONE

Commitment Form

Additional Copies of this form are available at www.taylorchoir.org

DUE: AUGUST 1, 2009

PLEASE PRINT:

Last Name _____ First Name _____ MI _____

This person is a (circle one of the following): PARENT OTHER RELATIVE

Mailing Address _____

City, State Zip _____

Phone numbers: Home _____ Work _____ Cell _____

Email address 1 _____

Email address 2 _____

Name of THS Choir student related to this person _____

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I agree to stay current with minimum amounts due for the trip. Minimum payment schedule is as follows:

- June 4, initial deposit—\$200
- July 1—\$200 (can pay \$500 total at this time, \$250 of which is non-refundable deposit)
- August 1—\$200
- September 1—\$200
- October 1—\$200
- November 1—\$200

I understand that if I am unable to travel on this trip after money has been paid, money can be refunded on only a very limited basis. Amounts due and timing of payments are calculated so that payments due to service providers can be met in a timely manner. Once money received from a student is used to pay an invoice, the money cannot under any circumstances be recovered from a service provider and refunded.

Signature _____ Date _____