

# CHORUS AND DRAMA

## *Does your child ...*

Like to sing?

Act out skits or videos with their friends?

Like to make new friends?

If they do, they should register for chorus/drama! Emphasis is placed on singing and preparing for chorus concerts in December and May, but students also learn aspects of drama like improvisation, collaboration, and stage presence.

### **Chorus Start Dates by School:**

Monday, Sept 23<sup>rd</sup> | **Oak Mesa**

Tuesday, Sept 24<sup>th</sup> | **Grace Miller**

Wednesday, Sept. 25<sup>th</sup> | **Shull**

Thursday, Sept. 26<sup>th</sup> | **La Verne Heights**

Chorus/Drama is open to all 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade students and **meets after school until 2:30 p.m. each week on your child's compact day.** Students can also participate in chorus **and** band!

Please make arrangements to have your child picked up promptly after rehearsals. Students who have yet to be picked up by 2:40 p.m. will be walked into the school office to be picked up. Students who are consistently picked up late may be removed from chorus.

**Concerts:** Mandatory chorus concerts will be held at the Bonita Center for the Arts on **Tuesday, December 3rd, and Monday, May 12th.** Students will also have the opportunity to sing with middle and high school choral students at **"La Verne Sings" on Wednesday, February 12th.** More information regarding performances will be provided as the concert dates approach.

**Rehearsal Field Trips:** Students travel by bus to the Bonita Center for the Arts during school hours on **Monday, December 2nd, and Friday, May 9th.**

**Registration opens on Friday, August 30th at 7 p.m. - space is limited!**

**Scan the QR code below and register online at [musicwithmrsbird.com](http://musicwithmrsbird.com).**

Scroll down and search for the picture that says "chorus registration" for your child's school.

## **Questions?**

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# HONOR CHOIRS

*Allegro* 

**5<sup>th</sup> Grade Honor Choir**  
**September-December**

★ **MUSIC EXPRESS** ★

**4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Honor Choir**  
**January-May**

Allegro and Music Express honor choirs are auditioned groups directed by Mrs. Bird. Students are selected from Grace Miller, Oak Mesa, La Verne Heights, and Shull Elementary Schools.

**Allegro** Honor Choir is comprised of **fifth grade** students and meets on Tuesdays from 4:00-5:30 p.m. at Oak Mesa Elementary beginning on **October 1st and concludes at the winter concert on December 3rd.**

**Music Express** is a **combined fourth and fifth grade** honor choir that meets on Tuesdays from 4:00-5:30 p.m. at Oak Mesa Elementary beginning in **January and concludes in May.** Music Express also performs at Knott's Berry Farm during the school day in the spring (date TBD). **Please note, if a student is previously selected to join Allegro, they will automatically receive an invitation to join Music Express without having to audition.**

Honor choirs enhance and expand the vocal music experience established in school chorus by focusing on vocal techniques, challenging music, and choreography. Honor choirs have previously performed at BUSD district events and Knott's Berry Farm.

Selection criteria include vocal ability, music knowledge, behavior, and leadership skills exhibited in school chorus and in the classroom. Careful consideration is given to creating well-balanced groups. Because students are drawn from four different sites, only a limited number of students will be selected from each class. Attendance and behavior expectations are set high in rehearsals and performances.

***Please note: Honor choir members must also participate in chorus/drama or school band.***

## **Allegro Audition Dates by School (interested fifth graders only):**

**Grace Miller:** Tuesday, Sept 3<sup>rd</sup>, after school 1-2 p.m. (make-up auditions Sept 10<sup>th</sup> during school hours)

**Shull:** Tuesday, Sept 4<sup>th</sup>, after school 1-2 p.m. (make-up auditions Sept 11<sup>th</sup> during school hours)

**LVH:** Tuesday, Sept 5<sup>th</sup>, 1-2 p.m. (make-up auditions Sept 12<sup>th</sup> during school hours)

**Oak Mesa:** Monday, Sept 9<sup>th</sup>, 1-2 p.m. (make-up during school on Sept 16<sup>th</sup> during school hours)

***Students who were members of Music Express last year do not need to audition again.***

Acceptance letters will detail key dates and information regarding donations and uniform requirements. Parents must arrange for transportation to and from rehearsals. Carpools are encouraged.

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