



## **PARENT INVOLVEMENT PROGRAM (PIP)**

Dear Chorister Parents and Guardians,

Thank you in advance for your participation in our Parent Involvement Program. The purpose of PIP is to:

- Promote a partnership between chorister parents/guardians and YCCO in providing an excellent experience for all choir members.
- Allow YCCO to benefit from the wide variety of skills and contacts that exist in our choristers' parents/guardians.
- Provide support services for YCCO, maintaining operations at a reasonable cost.
- Make YCCO the finest program for our choristers that it can be.

Every family agrees, upon registering their chorister(s), to donate 15 hours of service per family per year or to pay a non-participation fee (buy-out) of \$7 per hour not worked (total \$105 to buy out the full year). All hours are recorded by the family and given to the registrar. Those who do not complete their PIP are invoiced at the end of the year.

This form is designed to help you understand YCCO's many volunteer needs, and to help us understand your skills and preferences. The tasks are varied, interesting, and meaningful. Please do not be concerned if you do not have some of the specialized skills listed. There are no unimportant projects; even the smallest task contributes to YCCO's overall success.

Chorister(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Names and phone numbers of family members who will be participating in PIP:

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This is your opportunity to inform us of your preferences. Please check at least three options. Often we get a multitude of people signing up for the same things and need only a few. The best approach is to watch the newsletter and call the office to volunteer for that favorite project as it comes up.

Project Summaries:

\_\_\_ A Little Night Music: Each year, YCCO stages a dinner-concert-auction to promote the choir and raise donations. Join with the Board to plan, organize, prepare for, and work at this fund raising benefit.

\_\_\_ Auditions: Publicize spring auditions, contact music teachers for referrals, correspond with families of referred students and answer questions by phone, schedule auditions, organize the auditions days and information packets for prospective choristers, facilitate registration and the auditions process, keep records, send response letters, etc.

\_\_\_ Carpools: Organize carpools and/or drive for various out-of-town functions.

\_\_\_ Chaperones: Chaperone a group of choristers during a trip or activity, serve as the tour nurse, organize games and other fun activities, etc.

\_\_\_ Concerts: Setup, ushers, ticket sales, flowers, programs, backstage choir assistants, stage crew, sponsor and donor receptions, setup, cleanup, etc.

\_\_\_ Fund Raising: Plan, organize, publicize, work on, and maximize the profits for fund raising projects. Offer creative, fun, profitable ideas and suggestions.

\_\_\_ Performances: Contact service clubs, churches, etc. to hire one of our choirs for private performances. Serve as liaison between YCCO and the sponsor; assist the choir director with advance arrangements and on-site logistics.

\_\_\_ Scrap Booking: Clip all news items on YCCO, take snapshots at YCCO events, keep scrapbooks up to date, create displays to publicize YCCO as requested; etc.

\_\_\_ Music Library: Catalogue, store, number, distribute to singers, collect, and keep records for YCCO's sheet music.

\_\_\_ Publicity: Work on media contacts, news releases, special publicity events (choir participation in parades, etc.)

\_\_\_ Registrars: Check in choristers at rehearsals, concerts, etc., keep records, call and mail information to parents.

\_\_\_ Rehearsal Helpers: Assist the choir director at Monday night rehearsals. Use positive reinforcement and friendly discipline to help maintain order and focus choristers' attention on the director.

\_\_\_ Retreats and Camps: Assist the choir directors in organizing and facilitating our winter retreats for each choir. Organize activities, recruit helpers, arrange for snacks and meals, supervise and facilitate, etc.

\_\_\_ Snack Shack: Set up and sell healthy snack items during break time at Monday night rehearsals.

\_\_\_ Uniforms: Help organize and sell used uniforms and assist with uniform check days, etc.

\_\_\_ Video Production: Special skills and equipment required. Film YCCO concerts and produce professional-quality videotapes.

OTHER: Please tell us about any special skills, contacts, or resources you would like to share: