

August 15, 2019

Greetings, Westwood Choir Parents and Students!

My name is Andre Clark, and I am excited to start the third year at the helm of the Westwood High School Choir program. The first month has been fast and furious, with many opportunities to reach out to students, parents, and the greater Westwood Learning Community. We are also thrilled to introduce you to Miss Robin Harwell, who begins her education journey with us this year, joining us from The University of Texas at Austin.

In our first week, the directors and students will work diligently to ensure you have all the information you need to participate fully in the numerous activities of our program. You can always find the most up to date information on our website, at <http://westwoodchoirs.com>. Also, connect with our social media presence through Instagram, Twitter, and Facebook, by exploring the “connect” tab at the top.

Choir Booster Club: The Westwood HS Choir program has an exceptional Choir Booster Club, who supports the program in and out of the classroom, through concert support and through scholarships available for lessons and as our seniors continue their vocal music studies in college. They ask that you complete the [Westwood Choir Booster Membership Form](#), which is on the back of this letter.

Choir Events: Several events are well into preparation mode for the Fall. The OFFICIAL calendar for Westwood Choir events is the choir website [<http://westwoodchoirs.com>], located under the CALENDAR tab.

Choir Handbook: The Westwood HS Choir Handbook and the Round Rock ISD Extracurricular Code of Conduct is available online, and are available in printed form if requested. Several revisions were made over previous years, including the *Letter Jacket Policy*, which now requires 15 cumulative points for award.

- [Westwood HS Choir Handbook](#)
- [Round Rock ISD Extracurricular Code of Conduct](#)

The **Choir Activity Fee** has been lowered for all ensembles. If there is a financial hardship, please contact Mr. Clark directly – No student will be excluded from Westwood Choir activities due to financial hardship.

- *Fees are due no later than September 4th.*
- The choir fee is **\$50**, which includes the 2019 Westwood HS Choir Shirt, cleaning and alteration of the RRISD provided formal uniform, purchase of music and classroom supplies, including all materials required for class, and transportation for events throughout the year.
- Members of the Chamber and Varsity Women choirs have an additional competition fee of **\$35**, which covers entry fees for the TMEA All-Region Choir Auditions and UIL Solo and Ensemble.

Choir Forms: Forms we need completed /returned by Friday, September 4th:

- [Student Contact Information/Travel and Medical Information \[attached\]](#)
- [Handbook Acknowledgement Form \[online\]](#)

If we can assist in any way, please do not hesitate to contact us:

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