



8th Grade Night Performance and Magazine Photoshoot

Dear Choir Parents/Guardians and Students,

January 8, 2019

We have 2 exciting news to share!

- 1) **Magazine Article:** The organization **Teach for America** (of which Mr. Doram is a 2017 Corps Member) has selected the Forest Heights STEM Academy Choirs to be featured in the Winter edition of their ***One Day* magazine!** Out of thousands of schools and classes from across the nation, Teach for America was especially impressed by the high musical quality and commitment to service of the FHSA choirs demonstrated by the benefit concerts they have done.
- 2) **8th Grade Night Performance:** The FHSA Choirs have also been invited to sing for the **2019 FHSA 8th Grade Night on Thursday, January 24, 2019**. Once Teach for America was notified of this opportunity, they decided to do the photoshoot at this event. A photographer will come take photos of the choir warming up for the event as well as capture the actual performance itself for inclusion in the magazine article.

Important Date and Times

- **Call-Time is 5pm:** Choir members are required to report by **5pm on Thursday, Jan. 24** to the Choir Room. They will begin warming-up at this time and do half of the photoshoot.
- **Performance Time is 6pm:** The choir will open the 8th grade night program with a musical performance at **6pm** (note that this time is dependent on when the 5pm basketball game finishes). The photographer will also capture this on camera.

Uniform

- Basketball players and Cheerleaders will wear their basketball and cheerleading uniforms for the warm-ups and performance.
- Non-basketball players and cheerleaders must wear the following:
 - Shirts: A navy blue or white school uniform polo shirt (either with or without the FHSA logo)
 - Pants: School uniform Khaki pants or skirts (no khaki shorts)
 - Hair: Needs to be off of the face
 - Jewelry: Only post earrings are allowed—no other jewelry is allowed.
 - Shoes: Need to be clean and with as much white or black as possible

We are so excited that we will be able to share the wonderful work the choirs are doing with the rest of the nation! **The media release form for the event is on the back side. Please return by Friday, January 18.** If you have any questions, please let me know.

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TEACH FOR AMERICA

Parent Publicity Release Form

As you may be aware, your child's teacher, **Jonathan Doram**, is an alumnus of Teach For America, the national teacher corps committed to expanding opportunity for all children. As part of our ongoing efforts to ensure that all students have the opportunity to attain an excellent education, Teach For America coordinates photo shoots which oftentimes feature students. Teach For America utilizes these photos for publicity materials such as Teach For America's alumni magazine, recruitment brochures, videos, website, invitations to Teach For America events, and to illustrate press articles on Teach For America. Finally, we may share this photo with other educational organizations to improve the training and support they provide to their teachers.

On 1/24/2019, students at Mr. Doram's school will be photographed. We are writing to respectfully request your permission to include your child as part of this project. If you agree to have your child included in this photo shoot, please sign this form and have your child return it to Mr. Doram. We sincerely thank you in advance for your attention, consideration, and cooperation. Please feel free to contact Susan Brenna, editor of Teach For America's alumni magazine, at 917-861-9664 or susan.brenna@teachforamerica.org if you have any questions at any time. Thank you.

I have read the above statement. I hereby give my consent to have my child be photographed. I hereby grant Teach For America permission to utilize my child's image and likeness to be used at anytime at Teach For America's discretion.

Printed Name of Child:

Printed Name of Parent/Guardian:

Signature of Parent/Guardian:

Date: 1/24/2019