



Dear Parent(s) and Guardian(s),

I am pleased to nominate your child, \_\_\_\_\_, to participate in the **2020 Ohio Choral Directors Association (OCDA) Children's Honor Choir, June 22-24, 2020**. If accepted, they will join other excellent singers in grades 4 - 8 on the campus of Otterbein University in Westerville, Ohio, for three days of rehearsals that will culminate in a memorable final concert. This is an extraordinary opportunity and honor for your child!

OCDA is proud to announce our 2020 guest conductor, Jeanne Wohlgamuth, Artistic Director of the Columbus Children's Choir and Director of Choirs at Dublin Jerome High School. Ms. Wohlgamuth is a master teacher whose choirs are consistently praised for artistry and precision. She has served as an adjunct professor in the master's of music education program at the Kodály Institute at Capital University and taught undergraduate choral methods. She has presented workshops on developing sight-reading in the choral rehearsal, and middle school choral techniques and repertoire for the Midwest Kodály Music Educator's Conference, The Ohio State University, Capital University, Columbus City Schools, the Tri-City Kodály Music Educators, and the Ohio Music Educators Association state professional conference. In addition, she is the recipient of the Teacher of the Year award at Dublin Jerome High School, Karrer Middle School, Wright Elementary, and Bowen Elementary. She was also honored with the Golden Shamrock Award for Excellence in Education from Dublin.

By completing the bottom portion of this letter, you will enable me to complete the nomination of your singer for this honor. If you are willing to serve as a chaperone, please indicate that below as well. If accepted, you will receive an online link to register your singer (and yourself should you be available to chaperone).

**PLEASE RETURN THIS INFORMATION TO ME BY:** \_\_\_\_\_

OCDA will email a private link to register for the choir in April. Once registered, you will receive all necessary additional information via email and music will be distributed at the first satellite rehearsal.

Congratulations on the great work your child has demonstrated. I am very excited to nominate them for this honor!

Sincerely,

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See page 2 for *Details at a Glance* and satellite rehearsal dates and locations.

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### CHILDREN'S HONOR CHOIR - NOMINATION INFORMATION

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Satellite Location: NE NW C SE SW  
*circle one*

Parent(s) Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent Phone (cell, home) \_\_\_\_\_  
*circle one*

Contact Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Secondary Email: \_\_\_\_\_

*Please print clearly – this is the address used to send your acceptance letter.  
Add [ocdachc@gmail.com](mailto:ocdachc@gmail.com) to your contacts to ensure delivery of Honor Choir materials.*

**2020 OCDA CHILDRENS HONOR CHOIR  
DETAILS AT A GLANCE**

**WHO:** 150 students currently in grades 4-8

**WHAT:** 2020 OCDA Children’s Honor Choir

**WHERE:** Otterbein University, Westerville, Ohio

**WHY:** To participate in a highly artistic choral group with other young singers from Ohio

**WHERE:** June 22-24, 2020; final concert June 24 at 3:00 p.m.

**REHEARSAL DATES:** Singers must attend 2 satellite rehearsals, dates and locations are below.

**COST:**

On Campus Housing: \$225.00 per student (*air-conditioned dorm*) – fee includes room and board (2 nights on campus; 5 meals – Tuesday breakfast through Wednesday lunch), expert instruction, Honor Choir staff chaperones and Children’s Honor Choir t-shirt.

Off Campus Housing: \$150.00 per student – fee includes lunch and dinner (Tuesday) and Wednesday lunch, expert instruction, and Children’s Honor Choir t-shirt.

Fees are collected via credit card using PayPal via a separate online registration process after students are registered.

**REGISTRATION:** An online registration link will be sent via email after your nomination has been accepted. Please make sure contact information is correct so that you will receive the link in your email. Registration must be submitted by April 15, 2020. Be sure to add [ocdachc@gmail.com](mailto:ocdachc@gmail.com) to ensure delivery of Honor Choir materials.

**CONCERT TICKETS:** Concert tickets may be purchased online at the time of registration or at the door the day of the event (June 24). All tickets are \$10 and seating is general admission.

**QUESTIONS?** You may visit <http://ohiocda.org/SummerConference/childrenschoir/> or email [ocdachc@gmail.com](mailto:ocdachc@gmail.com) for more information.

**2020 SATELLITE REHEARSAL LOCATIONS AND DATES**

*Updates will be posted to the OCDA website: <http://ohiocda.org/SummerConference/childrenschoir/>*

<b>State Area</b>	<b>Coordinator Conductor</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Room</b>	<b>Dates</b>	<b>Time</b>
SE	Melanie Horne	Ohio University School of Music Glidden Hall	TBD	TBD	9am - Noon
SW	TBA	Cincinnati Area	TBD	TBD	9 am - Noon
Central	TBA	Columbus Area	TBD	TBD	9 am - Noon
NW	Chrissy Rohrs	Elmwood Local Schools Bloomdale, OH	Choral Room	June 13 & 20	9 am - Noon
NE	Jennifer Call	Church of the Saviour 2537 Lee Road Cleveland Heights, OH 44118	Great Hall	June 6 & 13	9 am - Noon