



## PCC WELCOME NIGHT

An open house for parents and singers to learn about our PCC family and meet the staff.

It is NOT an audition.

**We welcome all children  
who love to sing  
into our PCC family.**

Tonight after a short placement session with our directors, your singer will be placed where they will be most comfortable and successful.

# THE PALATINE CHILDREN'S CHORUS PROGRAM

Ages 4 & 5      **Sing with Me**      Thursdays 12:30-1:15  
*Kathy Sbarboro*

Ages 6 & 7      **Do Re Mi**      Wednesdays 4:45-5:30  
*Kirby Meza*

***Singers move from one level to the next when the director feels they're ready, not by age or time in PCC. We want all singers to be in the level where they feel most successful and comfortable.***

Ages 8-?      **Treble Choir**      Wednesdays 5:45-6:45  
*Kirby Meza*

**Intermezzo Choir**      Mondays alternate:  
"green schedule" 4:45-6:30  
"red schedule" 4:45-5:45  
*Lena Burke*

**Concert Choir**      Mondays alternate:  
"green schedule" 5:45-8:00  
"red schedule" 6:30-8:00  
*Lena Burke*  
Touring choir  
tTravels around US and overseas

**Honors Choir**      Mondays alternate:  
"green schedule" 5:45-9:00  
"red schedule" 6:30-9:00  
*Lena Burke*  
Most accomplished singers  
Also part of Concert Choir

In May we evaluate all singers individually to determine placement for fall.

## **Mission**

The Palatine Children's Chorus nurtures and inspires student achievement through quality music education and the pursuit of artistic excellence in choral music performance.

## **Vision**

The Palatine Children's Chorus envisions a future where excellence in choral singing is valued and supported for all children in the community – bridging cultures, ethnicities and economic backgrounds.

To achieve this, the staff and volunteers of the Palatine Children's Chorus will...

Nurture and develop the abilities of children who love to sing;

Ensure quality music education at every level through the pursuit of artistic excellence;

Introduce singers to the diverse musical cultures of our community;

Develop individual self-confidence and pride through excellence in choral music;

Organize opportunities for children to develop friendships and create lifelong memories.

### **WHY SHOULD YOUR CHILD SING IN PCC?**

Your child will master many songs in a variety of languages.

Your child will sing challenging music with older (and younger) singers.

We'll teach your child the importance of a polished performance.

Your child gets a fresh start with a new teacher and kids from other schools.

PCC draws children who have a passion for music.

We offer unique performance opportunities throughout the community for all ages.

Our older singers travel all around the United States and Europe **and even Carnegie Hall in New York...twice!**

We offer mentor and leadership opportunities for our older singers.

We offer excellent "vocal coaching" during our rehearsals.

We teach music theory that supports your child's instrumental lessons.

## COMMUNICATION

1. PCC parents, Melissa Schlesinger, Managing Director, communicates every week through email so you know what to expect: [pccsings@palatineparks.org](mailto:pccsings@palatineparks.org).
2. Website [www.pccsings.org](http://www.pccsings.org) has information for the general public, and a separate section called Singer Center has specific information for parents and singers.

**The Singer Center calendar is the only reliable calendar.**

3. Palatine Children's Chorus Hot line 847-496-6281

## ATTENDANCE

PCC allows very limited absences from rehearsals leading up to our 4 main performances between September & May.

Each choir has **mandatory** rehearsals before each concert.

They are already on our website calendar.

Our music:

represents many cultures  
is drawn from all time periods  
often involves foreign languages  
includes sacred church music as well as music from other faiths

We perform all music by memory.