

HIGHBRIDGE VOICES

Inspiring excellence through music.



April 18, 2018

Dear Highbridge Voices Parents and Guardians:

On Wednesday, May 30th, Highbridge Voices will hold its Annual Benefit Concert at Merkin Concert Hall in Manhattan (129 W 67th Street, NYC).

This performance is our most important concert of the year, and it is mandatory for all students. Students who do not attend the Benefit Concert may jeopardize their ability to participate in Highbridge Voices in the future.

ALL students should arrive at Highbridge Voices at 2:00 PM. Concert Choir should come dressed in concert attire (Navy blue dress slacks, black belt, black dress socks, and black shoes for both **girls and boys**. Your shirt and tie will be provided. Students will eat dinner at Highbridge Voices, then load the bus and travel to the concert. Following the concert, **ALL STUDENTS MUST RETURN ON THE BUS**, unless prior arrangements are made. We anticipate that we will return to Highbridge Voices at **approximately 9:30 PM**.

FAMILY DISCOUNT TICKETS: Each **FAMILY** can reserve ONE \$5 ticket to the concert, if they return the permission slip and **\$5 by Friday, May 4th**. **NO DEADLINE EXTENSIONS WILL BE MADE.** Additional discount tickets can be purchased for **\$35 each** by returning payment with this form or coming into the office starting Monday, May 7th between 7:00PM-7:45PM Monday through Friday. You save \$15 off the ticket price for the general public!

TICKET LOTTERY: Once again, we also have a ticket lottery. Each family that enters the lottery can win 1 FREE ticket to the Benefit Concert. To enter the lottery for 1 FREE ticket, please return the following form by Friday, May 4th. **NO DEADLINE EXTENSIONS WILL BE MADE.** Lottery winners will be notified Tuesday, May 29th.

This event is very important to Highbridge Voices, as it is our biggest fundraiser of the year. We hope you will show your support by attending the concert. Please call us with any questions or concerns. Thank you very much!

Please return bottom half of page by FRI., MAY 4th. Must include \$5 for family ticket. Use envelope provided.

- ✓ Each household gets one \$5 ticket. \$5 must be turned in with this form.
- ✓ Families can purchase additional discount tickets for \$35 each. Payment can be made in person beginning May 7th, or immediately using this form and including payment.
- ✓ The lottery is for **one** additional ticket. No payment is required.

STUDENT FIRST AND LAST NAME: _____

- YES! I want my \$5 ticket. Money is enclosed.
- YES! My family wants _____ extra tickets. Payment is enclosed (\$35 each).
- YES! I want to enter the lottery for one free ticket.
- My family does not need any tickets at this time.

Please check all boxes that apply.

Highbridge Voices Corporation

Field Trip Waiver and Permission Agreement

In consideration of Highbridge Voices Corp permitting:

Student Name _____ (the Child) to participate in the trip to perform **Benefit Concert at Merkin Concert Hall** in Manhattan on Wednesday, May 30th, 2018.

The undersigned hereby releases Highbridge Voices Corp, its respective directors, officers, and employees of and from any and all claims whatsoever arising or which may arise by reason of the Child's participation in the Field Trip including any claims due to personal injuries or illness excepting any such claim resulting from and/or arising out of the gross negligence of Highbridge Voices Corp, its respective directors, officers, or employees.

Should the Child suffer injury or illness while on the Field Trip, the undersigned hereby authorizes any representative of Highbridge Voices Corp, and in particular, any teacher accompanying the Child to authorize such medical attention for the Child as may be deemed appropriate by said representative of Highbridge Voices Corp in the circumstances. The undersigned agrees to bear the costs of all medical care and procedures required by the Child. The undersigned also agrees to maintain appropriate medical insurance coverage for the Child while on the Field Trip.

The undersigned hereby releases Highbridge Voices Corp., its respective directors, officers, and employees from any claim arising out of any medical treatment the Child may require.

The undersigned acknowledges that should the Child fail to keep and obey all rules and regulations prescribed by Highbridge Voices Corp, its respective directors, officers, and employees, while participating in the Field Trip, Highbridge Voices Corp may, in its sole and absolute discretion, terminate the Child's participation in the field Trip. The undersigned will be contacted in advance by the Executive Director to make necessary arrangements to ensure that the Child is properly supervised on the return trip home. Any additional costs incurred by reason of the termination of the Child's participation in the Field Trip and/or as a result of the Child being sent home will be the responsibility of the undersigned.

Please check the appropriate options, sign, and date.

_____ I have carefully read this Waiver and Permission Agreement and understand the terms and conditions of it and agree to be bound thereby. The Child has the undersigned's permission to participate in the Field Trip.

Signature of Parent or Guardian: _____ Date: _____

OPTIONAL RESPONSE (requires additional signature):

_____ The Child will NOT return on the bus following the field trip. S/he will be released to

_____.

(Clearly write name of pick-up person—must present valid photo ID at Merkin Hall).

Signature of Parent or Guardian: _____ Date: _____

Please ensure that your child returns this form to Highbridge Voices by Friday, May 4th, 2018.



WOULD YOU LIKE TO MAKE A DEDICATION?

Parents, if you would like to write a dedication to your child that will appear in the Benefit Concert Journal and Yearbook, please return the following form with **\$10.00**. All dedications will be printed in the Benefit Journal and Yearbook, which is given out as a souvenir piece at the concert on May 30th.

Examples of dedications:

- Good luck, Joe! We are so proud of you! Love, Mom and Dad
- Congratulations, Jane! We are cheering for you!

Dedications can be made in **Spanish** or **English**. Please write clearly and make sure spelling is correct.

DEADLINE: Friday, MAY 4th. NO EXCEPTIONS!

Name of Student: _____

Dedication (maximum 100 characters):

Please include \$10.00 to have your dedication printed in the journal.

Concert Choir Apparel for Benefit Concert

We are asking that parents provide students with NAVY BLUE DRESS SLACKS, black belt, black dress shoes and black socks for Benefit Concert. See picture below for boys and girls examples. Slacks can be found at Cookies for Kids or Old Navy for \$10-\$25.

Please let Ms. Lim or Ms. Nikita Turnbull know by May 11th, if you are unable to provide any of these items for your child. We can help, especially if we know ahead of time!!

GIRLS EXAMPLE



BOYS EXAMPLE



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The singers at Highbridge Voices have worked all year on perfecting the skills of being a good listener and audience member. Here are some of the guidelines our students wanted to share with their friends and family.

Guide to Concert Etiquette

☆ Do not talk or whisper during the music.

☆ Silence all cell phones, electronic devices, and noisy candy wrappers.

☆ Do not leave the concert during the music. If you must leave, wait for a break in the concert.

☆ Parents should take crying children outside of the auditorium.

☆ Do not use flash photography.

☆ Sit back, relax, and enjoy the music! The singers have worked hard all semester to prepare an entertaining concert. They are really looking forward to sharing the music with you.

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Dear School Administrator,

My child, _____, will need to leave school early/miss school on Wednesday, May 30th, 2018 so that s/he may join Highbridge Voices for a performance at Merkin Hall in Manhattan. Please feel free to contact me directly if you have any questions or concerns.

Signed,

_____ (parent or guardian)