

Dear Parents,

We have a spectacular year to look forward to! This is my fourth year at Clovis East and I am astounded at how much this program has grown with parental support and help from the community. I hope you are as excited as I am about all the fantastic learning opportunities, performances and trips your children will experience. As you may already know, the budget provided by the state to Clovis Unified does not fully fund the choral music program, including the following activities and expenses:

- Competition/Festival Entry Fees for all ensembles
- Uniforms & Supplies for performances
- New music for our library
- Supplementary musicians/staff for instruction and performance
- Transportation costs for in-town travel

Through fundraising and voluntary contributions, the program will be able to offer these opportunities. To continue to provide these opportunities, we must collectively raise over \$18,000.00 to cover these costs.

Fundraising

To assist the Clovis East Choral Program in achieving its fundraising goal, we will offer several fundraising opportunities for your student:

- **Sept:** Online Coupon Books Fundraiser
- **Oct:** Gold Canyon Candles
- **Nov/Dec:** Chocolate Bars
- **Jan/Feb:** Cookie Dough
- ...and more!

Students may assist in fundraising through one or more of the above-described opportunities. Families are encouraged to make a voluntary contribution to the Clovis East Choral Program in addition to fundraising.

These fundraising activities are not mandatory, and your student will not be adversely affected in terms of their participation in the program if your student cannot assist in fundraising and/or making voluntary contributions to the program.

The program's funding goal is a collective one. As such, the larger the number of students unable or unwilling to assist, the greater the burden on those students who do meet the program's funding goal for the benefit of everyone. Based on the collective funding goal and the success of all of our fundraisers, if each of the 120 students in the choral music program fundraises equally, the amount attributable to each student is only \$150.00 (or just \$15 a month!).

We strongly encourage families and students to assist in fundraising activities and/or making voluntary donations to the program so that we can continue to offer these opportunities to Clovis East students.

We thank you for your ongoing support of the Clovis East Choral Music Program!

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