

What is St. Paul's Choir School?

A free program open to the community.

The St. Paul's Choir School is a place for learning and formation, open to youth age eight and above, that follows the model of the Royal School of Church Music. The term "school" is not used to refer to a building, but a philosophy. A school is a place to learn, and at St. Paul's Choir School we learn to sing to the best of our ability through regular rehearsals and services. We also learn about liturgy and the Episcopal Church through music and worship. This program is offered at no cost to the students and is open to any youth in our community regardless of religious affiliation.

Shaping lives while training young musicians

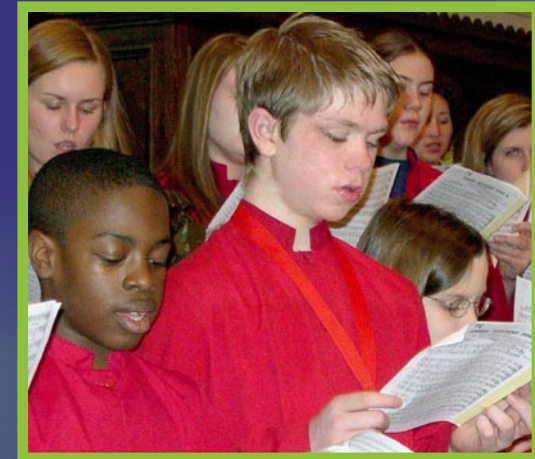
We seek to provide formation in conjunction with musical development. Participants have the unique opportunity to build relationships with singers of all ages through St. Paul's inter-generational choir. This program allows youth to develop attributes that resonate in all areas of a choir singer's life.

Teamwork and leadership skills
Discipline of body, mind and spirit
Friendships that last a lifetime



St. Paul's Choir School and Choral Scholar Program

**Building character
in a caring community**



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What is the Choral Scholar program?

St. Paul's Church underwrites private music lessons to youth who meet the commitment requirements and want to utilize this opportunity to develop their musical skills.

“Along with personal learning and growth, she has benefited from the teamwork of choral singing, coming to a better understanding of her role as a part of the group.” Bradley Brooks, Choral Scholar Parent

The benefits:

Youth who participate in the Choral Scholar program will receive professional musical instruction, both choral and instrumental. The value of this scholarship is approximately \$2,000. These singers also have the opportunity to sing choral masterworks accompanied by professional orchestras. There are opportunities to travel on tour with the choir in the United States and the United Kingdom. A half hour of Christian formation is offered weekly, focusing on liturgical and worshiping traditions of the Church along with biblical history and application.

Choral Scholar requirements:

- currently in grades 4 through 8
- show commitment to the choir program and to practice for private instrumental lessons
- demonstrate potential for musical and leadership growth
- be focused and well behaved
- exhibit enthusiasm, energy and eagerness to work

“All the effort I put into St. Paul's Choir has repaid me tenfold by making a lifelong musician out of me.” Emily Adams, Choir School alumna

How do I become a Choral Scholar?

Eligible singers (grades 4 through 8) who did not participate in choir the previous year enter a beginning period lasting a minimum of one semester to gauge maturity, attendance, etc. Admitted singers who advance past the introductory period are awarded a scholarship for musical training beginning with the next semester.

Eligibility for Choral Scholars:

This program is open to children entering grades 4 through 8. The Choral Scholar program is designed to incorporate all interested youth from the Indianapolis community. A student does not need to be a member of St. Paul's to participate.

“His participation in the Choral Scholar Program has made a great situation greater. The sense of community and teamwork is heightened. The level of commitment to the group and the effort to achieve very high standards are examples we could all follow. These values provide a solid framework for future endeavors. His experience as a Choral Scholar has benefited him at school and in his day to day life in ways he is not even aware.” Jim Harper, Choral Scholar Parent

How do I join?

Anyone interested in joining St. Paul's Choir School should call the church at 253-1277. More information can also be found on our website at www.stpaulsindy.org.

