We are excited to announce that our Diamond Valley Diamondback Choir is ready to begin for the 2021-2022 school year! This year, Mrs. Freebairn and Mr. Marchant will be the directors. We are grateful for Mrs. Freebairn and Mr. Marchant for being willing to donate their time and energy to help give our **3rd-5th grade students** an opportunity to participate in choir and share their talents.

This year, the DVES Diamondback Choir will only be held once a week and it will be **before school**. We know that this may be challenging for some students, but we have found it works better before school. It will now be on **Tuesdays from 8:00-8:45 a.m.** beginning **Tuesday, September 14th.** To make our choir practices more efficient, we will be asking our students to use our choir website to practice at home. The website can be found at the following address: https://dveschoir.weebly.com/

As far as performances, we are optimistic to attend a variety of venues this year. Some performances will include Staheli Farm, Dicken’s Festival, and more! As we begin to finalize the dates, we will let you know as performances are scheduled. Please note that choir is a committed elective and performance participation is highly encouraged, especially when a student has been assigned a solo. If for some reason your child is unable to attend, please let one of the directors know so that we can make the appropriate arrangements.

Finally, every two years we change the design of our choir shirt. This year, we will be doing a two-tone shirt (sleeves are one color and the base of the shirt is another color). Each member of the choir will need to purchase a shirt for performances for $10. In addition, we encourage students to wear their choir shirts to show choir pride and team building every Tuesday. Students will need to fill out the permission slip below for choir membership and return it to the front office with payment to receive a choir shirt. If you have any unanswered questions or concerns, please feel free to contact us!

Mrs. Freebairn - Choir Director - gen.freebairn@washk12.org

Mr. Marchant - Choir Director –jayson.marchant@washk12.org

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**(Parents must sign and return bottom portion of the form before your child can begin participating in choir)**

I give permission for my child \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to participate in the Diamond Valley Diamondback Choir for this 2021-22 school year. I also agree that I will find my child their own transportation to school on Tuesdays at 8:00 a.m. Finally, I understand that participation in choir is a privilege and my child must follow and adhere to all school rules and directions of choir directors to participate in choir. Violations of school rules and/or directions of directors may result in a dismissal from the school choir. Choir shirts will be worn for practices and performances; if you cannot afford a shirt ($10.00), please contact the office for assistance.

Child’s Teacher\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Circle Grade: 3rd 4th 5th

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Choir shirts are $10.00 and can be paid for in the office. Student t-shirt size is listed below:

(Please circle child’s size)

**Youth**: S M L

 (6-8) (10-12) (14-16)

**Adult**: S M L

 (34-36) (38-40) (42-44)