

Point System Explanation

The point system was introduced to encourage parent involvement in choir activities, to help families pay for the big choir trip (every third year), and as a way to distribute earnings fairly to our hardworking choir students. Points may be earned by parents and students by working on choir activities such as Madrigal Dinner and the spring musical.

What are points?

Points are used to fairly distribute the net income from the Madrigal Dinner and the spring musical each year. In general, 1 hour worked equals 1 point. At the end of the year, a dollar value is assigned to the point and applied to the points in each student's account for that year. For example: If a student accumulates 100 points for the year and it is determined that each point is worth \$5, then the student then has \$500 in their account. The point value will be different from year to year based on the amount of income made each year and will not be determined until the end of the year.

What are points used for?

Every three years, the choir takes a big trip, usually to Europe. Funds accumulated in the student's account will be used to offset the cost of this trip. Any unused funds accumulated from points will be used to offset the cost to everyone for the smaller trips made each year. Unused points cannot be transferred to a sibling or any other student.

Who can earn points for the student?

Parents, or approved adults, may earn points only for their own children who are currently enrolled in choir. Each student may only have two (2) adults earn points for them and it is generally assumed that these two adults will be the student's parents. If someone other than a parent will be earning points for the student, they must be approved by the Choir Booster Board. Points can ONLY be earned by the two approved point earners for each student. Parents who are employed by the music department do not earn points for time spent at their paying jobs, but may join committees or volunteer other time to earn points.

Students may also earn points for themselves.

How are points earned and how many can be earned?

Parents or approved adults may earn points by volunteering their time to the choir program. For each hour worked, one point is earned. Certain positions in the program also earn points as follows:

Officer in Booster Club:	20 points	Committee Chairperson:	20 points
Newsletter	20 points		

Students who participate in Madrigal Dinner and spring musical earn points as follows:

Madrigal Dinner Cast	30 points	Usher for spring musical	1 point per hour; max of 20 points
Musical Cast	40 points	Backstage Assistance	30 points

Students also earn points as follows:

Officer in the Choir	10 points	Working for Music Dept.	1 point for each hour
Housing out-of-town guests	1 point/visitor		

Each student can be credited a **maximum of 120 points per year**, which can be earned in any combination by the student or his/her parent. There is a **maximum cumulative total of 300 points** for each student.

If the student is going on the big trip and has not been able to earn points over a three year period because they were a transfer student or a sophomore the year of the big trip, the student may request Board review of their point status to determine if the student can earn additional points. This review must take place by the November board meeting of the big trip. Contact the Points Chairperson to schedule review.

Freshman students who can attend two trips during their high school years (big trip their freshman year and their senior year) are allowed to use their first year earned points (120 maximum) for the freshman trip. They are then allowed to earn another 300 points maximum toward the big trip their senior year.

How is the monetary value of points determined?

The total number of points earned for the year by all students will be divided into the total net income from the Madrigal Dinner and the spring musical. For example: total net income is \$10,000 and total points earned is 2,000, each point would be worth a fixed amount of \$5.00. ($\$10,000/2,000=\5.00) Points and their value will be fixed at the end of each year and cannot be changed at a later date.

Responsibility: It is the responsibility of every parent and child to use the sign-up sheets provided at each activity to ensure points are recorded. It is then the responsibility of the chairperson to provide the sign-up sheet, to tally the hours worked by each volunteer and to report them to the Points Chairperson in a timely manner.

All appeals for a change in points must be addressed in writing to the Choir Booster board. Questions about your account's current status may be addressed at any time during the year to the Points Chairperson. If you suspect that there has been an oversight, **be sure to take care of it during the school year in which you worked.**

Can students earn additional money for their accounts?

Additional Fund Raising Projects: Additional funds **can be** earned for the students' accounts by other fund raising projects, such as: Selling Ducky Derby Tickets, Selling Cookies Dough, etc. **The funds raised from these types of projects are NOT part of the points system and go into the students' accounts, dollar for dollar raised.**

These fund raising projects must have prior approval from the Boosters Board when the Shasta High Choir Boosters or a particular trip is mentioned in the advertising for the event. Monies collected will be deposited in the Choir Boosters' account, in the individual student's name, to be used toward choir trip expenses only. The person in charge must furnish the Treasurer with a list of students who earned money.

Questions?

2014/2015 – Points Chairperson – Devon Googins, can be contacted at googinsfamily@sbcglobal.net if you have any questions regarding earning points or additional fund raising projects.