



**WESTLAKE
CHOIR**



WELCOME PACKET 2026-2027

Welcome to an exceptionally exciting year in the Westlake Choir Department. We have a tradition of excellence here in the Westlake Choir Department, and I am absolutely positive this year will be no exception. Our motto is “I Am Because We Are” and in this packet you will find information on how you can become the “We” and help us have a successful year.

- Get to know our incredible team and email us whenever you need anything
 - Amy Rolniak, Director – arolniak@conejousd.org
 - Booster Club President – JoJo Adeva - boosterprez@westlakechoir.org
 - Booster Club Treasurer – Ruslan Daych - treasurer@westlakechoir.org
 - Joanne Bertagna, Program Manager – joannebertagna@conejousd.org
- Visit our website often for announcements and information www.westlakechoir.org
- Check email from westlakechoir.org and whschoircommunications@gmail.com
- Join our Band App - <https://band.us/n/ada1A91fe4P3M>
- Visit and like our Facebook page – Westlake High School Choir
- Follow the WHS Choir on Instagram @whschoralmusic
- Attend Booster Club meetings and consider filling one of our vacant spots (dates included in the packet)
- Sign up for our many volunteering opportunities
- Consider participating in our many fundraising options as outlined in the Fundraising Packet

Mandatory Dates Calendar

These dates represent the current mandatory events on the Westlake Choir Department Calendar.
You will get an updated calendar at the beginning of the 2026-2027 school year.

Legend: Vocal Ensemble (VE) Treble Chorale (TC) Everyone (All)

Performances, Rehearsals, Retreats, and Trips

August 2026

August 7 & 8	Summer Retreat at Cal. Lu	VE/TC
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September 2026

September 9	Back to School Night Performance	VE/TC
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October 2026

October 15	Fall Concert Dress Rehearsal (5:00 pm - 8:00 pm)	ALL
October 16 & 17	Fall Concert (6:00 pm - 9:00 pm)	ALL

November 2026

November 6 & 7	Winter Choreography Retreat Cal. Lu	VE/TC
November 30	Winter Concert Dress Rehearsal (5:00 pm - 8:30 pm)	VE/TC

December 2026

December 1	Winter Concert Dress Rehearsal (5:00 pm - 8:30 pm)	ALL
December 3, 4 & 5	Winter Concert (6:00 pm - 9:00 pm)	ALL
December 11	Los Cerritos/Colina Run Out (7:15 am - 3:30 pm)	VE/TC

February 2027

February 25	Festival Preview Concert Dress Reh. (5:00 pm - 8:00 pm)	ALL
February 26 & 27	Festival Preview Concert (6:00 pm - 9:00 pm)	ALL

March 2027

March 8	SCVA CLU Festival (6:15 pm - 8:45 pm)	VE/TC
March 9	SCVA CLU Festival (6:15 pm - 8:45 pm)	ACA/CC

April 2027

April 9 & 10	Forum Festival	VE/TC
April 27 & 28	All District Choir Festivals	VE/TC

May 2027

May 17 & 18	Pops Concert Dress Rehearsal (5:00pm - 8:30 pm)	ALL
May 20, 21, & 22	Pops Concert (6:00 pm - 9:00 pm)	ALL

Westlake Choir Department

Attendance Policy

2026-2027

Missing a concert, dress rehearsal, or other mandatory activity for any other reason than listed below is unexcused and may not be made up.

- 1. For illness, death in the family, or religious activity a parent will need to notify Mrs. Rolniak via email as soon as the situation is evident an alternate assignment will be given.**
- 2. For other Westlake High School events:**
 - a. The student must inform Mrs. Rolniak, and the respective Coach or Advisor in person and email of the conflict as soon as the conflict is evident.**
 - b. Once approved, the activity or assignment will be removed from the student's grade**

**Booster Club Meetings 2026-2027*

<i>Dates - 2026</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Location</i>
<i>Tuesday, August 11</i>	<i>7:00 pm</i>	<i>Tribe Room (Faculty Cafeteria)</i>
<i>Tuesday, September 15</i>	<i>7:00 pm</i>	<i>Tribe Room (Faculty Cafeteria)</i>
<i>Tuesday, October 20</i>	<i>7:00 pm</i>	<i>Tribe Room (Faculty Cafeteria)</i>
<i>Tuesday, November 17</i>	<i>7:00 pm</i>	<i>Tribe Room (Faculty Cafeteria)</i>
<i>Tuesday, December 15</i>	<i>7:00 pm</i>	<i>Tribe Room (Faculty Cafeteria)</i>
<i>Dates - 2027</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Location</i>
<i>Tuesday, January 19</i>	<i>7:00 pm</i>	<i>Tribe Room (Faculty Cafeteria)</i>
<i>Tuesday, February 16</i>	<i>7:00 pm</i>	<i>Tribe Room (Faculty Cafeteria)</i>
<i>Tuesday, March 16</i>	<i>7:00 pm</i>	<i>Tribe Room (Faculty Cafeteria)</i>
<i>Tuesday, April 13</i>	<i>7:00 pm</i>	<i>Tribe Room (Faculty Cafeteria)</i>
<i>Tuesday, May 11</i>	<i>7:00 pm</i>	<i>Tribe Room (Faculty Cafeteria)</i>
<i>Monday, June 7 (Awards Banquet)</i>	<i>7:00 pm</i>	<i>Tribe Room (Faculty Cafeteria)</i>

**Booster meeting dates subject to change - booster meeting dates are announced in the monthly newsletter*

All parents are invited to attend and participate in the Booster Club Meetings. Parents with students in the program are encouraged to get involved by volunteering in the Booster Club. A special welcome to our new choir families and a thank you for all those returning families.

Be part of a wonderful program here at Westlake High School! If you would like more information, please contact the Booster Club President, JoJo Adeva at boosterprez@westlakechoir.org

TC/VE Westlake High School Uniform Info

All Westlake High School Choir participants are given the privilege of using school uniforms for concerts throughout the school year. These uniforms cost money to purchase and money to keep them in good condition (dry cleaning, etc). Therefore, it is the student's responsibility to make sure that their costume is in good condition throughout the year, and report any costume issues. In order to ensure the quality of our costumes for years to come each student must sign a Uniform Contract every year.

I understand that it is my responsibility to take care of my uniform for choir. Failure to take care of and return my uniform after each performance and at the end of the year will result in a monetary fine or charge to replace the item.

Responsibilities include:

- Only using the uniform assigned to me.
- Keeping my uniform neatly stored in the provided uniform garment bag.
- No eating or drinking while in costume.
- Water consumed needs to be done so with extreme caution!
- Reporting all costume issues (zippers, hems, etc.) to your uniforms officer as soon as they are noticed.
- Dry cleaning costumes at North Ranch Cleaners

Student Provided Uniform Items

Option 1:

Black dance shoes with rubber grips

Completely white undershirt with no writing on it

Black Socks

Option 2:

Beige character shoes with a 1-1.5 inch heel and rubber grips

Black dance shorts

Beige bandeau or leotard

Beige nylons

Choir Department Provided Uniform Items

Option 1: WHS will provide tux jacket, tux shirt and tux pants; various performance ties, bowties, vests, etc.

Option 2: WHS will provide concert dress; various performance dresses

****Be reminded that no player will be excluded from participation regardless of their donation**** *California law guarantees students a public education free of charge, including extracurricular activities. Students are therefore entitled access to educational activities, and to all materials, supplies, equipment and uniforms necessary for the educational activity, without charges or security deposits. There are some narrow fee authorizations in the law, and we ask for and encourage donations to assist us in our effort to continue providing high quality courses and activities, but all donations are strictly voluntary. Please visit www.conejousd.org/whs for more information, and/or contact the Principal if you have any questions or concerns.*

IMPORTANT **COSTUME INFORMATION**

Dancers Wearhouse

5853 Kanan Rd.
Agoura Hills, CA 91301
(818) 707-1425

AMAZON

Women's Character Shoes
(Light Color)
Men's Character/Dance Shoes
(Black)



NORTH RANCH CLEANERS

3745 Thousand Oaks Blvd
Westlake Village, CA 91362
(805) 496-6000

Approx. Cleaning Costs

Dress - \$10.50

Vest - \$5.50

Tux Shirt - \$4.75

Tie & Cummerbund - \$0.00

Approx. Alterations Costs

Concert - \$12.50

Tux Pants - \$5.75

Tux Jacket Sleeves - \$5.75

