

# THE FORT BEND BOYS CHOIR OF TEXAS

"Making a difference ... one boy at a time"



**Date:** February 15, 2018  
**To:** All Choir Parents  
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**Subject:** General Uniform Information

As uniform coordinator for the 2017-2018 choir season, I look forward to working with you to see that the boys look their best for each concert. All choir members wear the same khaki pants, white shirt, tie, black shoes, black socks and belt. Tour choirboys need to add the navy blue blazer while the Town Choirboys add the red sweater vest. It is the responsibility of the parents to purchase their son's uniform.

♫ **Take Note** ♫ Uniform checks will be announced soon. Uniform checks will begin at **6:00 p.m.**, once announced, so rehearsal time is not compromised. **Do not make any alterations to the uniforms until AFTER the uniform check and please keep on all tags in case of product returns.** Boys should arrive dressed in their uniform and bring clothes to change into once the uniform check is complete.

## **All choir members will need the following items:**

**Slacks:** Khaki style, pleated front with relaxed fit, must be purchased from **Houston Academic Outfitters** to ensure uniformity.

**Shirt:** White, long-sleeved, oxford cloth, button down collar with one pocket on the left and no emblem, must be purchased at **Houston Academic Outfitters** to ensure uniformity.

**Shoes:** BLACK dress shoes ONLY. No tennis or deck shoes or boots. Prefer loafer-style but lace-ups are acceptable. Purchase anywhere.

**Socks:** BLACK DRESS SOCKS ONLY. No navy or blue-black sock and no athletic socks either. Purchase anywhere.

**Belt:** Black leather dress belt, with gold buckle. No braided belt. Purchase anywhere. **\*\*Look on the back of this memo for several online suggestions for finding the belt.\*\***

**Tie:** Will be purchased through the choir for \$15.00. Orders will be taken at uniform check.

## **Town Choir Only:**

**Vest:** Red sweater vest must be purchased at **Houston Academic Outfitters**.

## **Tour Choir Only:**

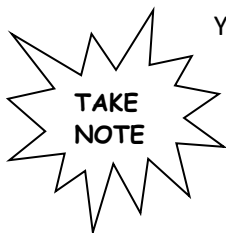
**Blazer:** Navy blazer must be purchased at **Houston Academic Outfitters**.

**Purchase your uniform in a timely manner in case of back orders. Also please do not buy your uniform with too much "growing room" because the boys need to look their best at every concert. Remember that at each performance, each boy must have clean, dry hair without gel or hair spray. All uniforms must be in good condition without stains, missing buttons, torn areas, etc. Please do not have boys wear undershirts.**

## **Houston Academic Outfitters Location:**

5475 West Loop South, Suite 150, Houston, TX 77081 ~ 713-660-0206

Regular Store Hours are: Monday-Friday 10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m., Saturday 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. & Closed Sundays



You can also order the uniform pieces online at <http://houston.academicoutfitters.com/>. If you do this, you will need to click on the "Find My School" link at the top and then click on **Fort Bend Boys Choir** on the left hand menu. Once our uniform page is up, you can click on "Bottoms" or "Tops" in the left hand menu and it will bring up the uniform pieces. Please refer to the information above for the requirements for your particular choirboy since each choir is slightly different!



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## Additional Uniform News

For our returning choirboys, you do not need to purchase new uniforms at this time (unless you really want to do so). The existing uniforms that were previously purchased at Parker Uniform closely match the uniform pieces through our new uniform vendor Houston Academic Outfitters.

Bring this memo with you when you shop in the store or refer to it if you order online. **Please remember to leave all tags on your newly purchased items until the uniform checks have been completed. Also, do not do any alterations until after uniform check! This will allow you to exchange the items, if it becomes necessary.**

For an illustrative guide on how the choir uniforms should look and fit for each choir, please refer to our Uniform Instruction Guide on the *Parents Corner* page (link at the top) of our website. Or use this handy direct link: <http://fbbctx.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/01/Uniform-Illustration-Fit.pdf>.

Sometimes, finding a black dress belt with a gold buckle can be a challenge so here are a few online options and suggestions to find the belt:

<https://www.frenchtoast.com/product/reversible+dress+belt+os.do?sortby=ourPicks&from=fn>

<https://www.bonton.com/sc1/brands/brands-statements/statements-boys-black-brown-reversible-dress-belt-742023.html>

*You may also find comparable belts at Dillard's or even in the Women's section of clothing stores. Start shopping now!*

**Take Note:** A used uniform list will be available soon with a breakdown of sizes we have available. This list will be emailed and sale of items will be on a first come, first served basis. These are half the price of new pieces.

In addition, if you have any uniform pieces that your son can no longer wear, please consider donating them to the choir. This serves a dual purpose. First, uniforms can be purchased at a reduced rate which can help with family finances. Second, the proceeds from the sales help every single boy by raising additional funds for the choir. Please consider giving back to the choir by donating your gently used uniforms!!

**If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (281) 636-9935 or [mtcannon16@hotmail.com](mailto:mtcannon16@hotmail.com).**