Grace Church Community Center Service-Learning Performance

Jazz Bands and Cooper/Popham Grade Six Chorus

April 2013

Dear Parents,

Many students have been participating in a school-wide service-learning initiative, and we are pleased and excited to announce that the jazz bands and Cooper/Popham grade six chorus students will also be sharing in this experience!

Due to space limitations at the performance site, the chorus will be limited to 40 students. Therefore, the first 40 students to return the permission slip to Mrs. Cuk will perform that evening.

On Tuesday evening, April 30th, both the jazz bands and chorus will be performing at the Open Arms Men's Shelter in White Plains (86 East Post Road, White Plains, NY). The Open Arms Men's Shelter is part of the larger community support network of the Grace Church Community Center, a non-sectarian organization. Though the performance will take place at the Men's Shelter (it has a room large enough for the performance), women from The Samaritan House Women's Shelter will be in attendance as well.

To find out more about this phenomenal organization, including an informative and powerful video, please visit www.gracecommunitycenter.org.

Here are the specifics for the evening.

- **DATE:** Tuesday, April 30, 2013
- **ARRIVAL TIME:** Children should arrive at the Middle School (lower circle between the gym and auditorium) at **6pm.** *Jazz band members, please remember your instruments and music.* The performance will begin at 7pm and should last about an hour.
- **TRANSPORTATION:** All students will meet first at the Middle School and will go together on school buses to the performance.
- **RETURN TIME:** We will return to the Middle School (lower circle) at about <u>7:30pm</u> for pick up.
- <u>ATTIRE:</u> Jazz band students should wear all black concert attire; <u>Choral</u> students should wear white and black concert attire (no ties).
- <u>CHAPERONES:</u> We will be taking faculty chaperones to the Open Arms Men's Shelter, however, given that some of the students involved in this musical experience are in elementary school, we would like to offer for those parents to come on the bus as chaperones if you are interested.
 - The space at the Open Arms Shelter is not very large, so we need to limit the number of additional guests. If you are an elementary jazz parent and would like to chaperone, please let Dr. Slotwinski know by April 16th (include that info on your permission slip, or email Dr. Slot beforehand jslotwinski@scarsdaleschools.org).
- * Attached, please find the permission slip. Please sign and have your child return it to his/her music teacher by <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>April 16th</u>.

Thank you for your support, and we look forward to this wonderful opportunity to share our music!

Sincerely,

Celia Cuk, Nick Lieto, and Jessica Slotwinski

Grace Community - PERMISSION SLIP

Please sign and have your child return it to his/her music teacher by <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>April 16th</u>.

My son/daughter the district school bus for the Chorus/Jazz Open Arms Men's Shelter in White Plain	(first and last name) has permission to ride Band Performance on Tuesday evening, April 30, 2013, to The is.
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My son/daughterallergies/medical conditions:	(first and last name) has the following
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Parent Signature	
EMERGI	ENCY CONTACT INFORMATION
Home phone	Additional Emergency Contact Person
Mother's cell phone	Name
Mother's work phone	
Father's cell phone	Contact phone number(s)
Father's work phone	