

**Transforming Boys' Lives  
Through the Power of Music!**



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## Developing The Voices of Young Boys to Shape the Men of the Future



**The All-American Boys Chorus**, *America's Most Beloved Boys Choir*, provides a world-acclaimed music and performing arts curriculum that educates, motivates and builds character in boys through unparalleled opportunities for performance, leadership, travel, and community service.

AABC programs combine music education with mentoring to help foster the self-confidence, work ethic, and leadership skills necessary to help young men succeed later in life. Our programs are designed to progress these boys through different stages of musical development, transforming them from beginners to seasoned performers and leaders.





## Role Models

### Importance of Adult and Peer Role Models on Youth Development

Adolescence is a time of great change and, for many youth, friendships and adult role models become increasingly important.<sup>1</sup> Non-parent adult role models extend vital opportunities and provide support and encouragement, challenging youth and creating a positive outlook on the youth's influence over their own lives, families, school, and community.<sup>2</sup> The impact of positive role models on youth development is compounded when both non-parent adults and peers serve as role models for young people.

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*The key to our program is collaboration and leadership development, which runs through every aspect of our curriculum.*

## Philosophy

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We believe that each boy has the potential for greatness and that music can be a tool to help guide young men through the difficult stages of adolescence while instilling positive qualities that they will carry with them through life. Being a member of the chorus goes far beyond learning to read music and master vocal skills; boys develop leadership skills, experience the benefits of hard work and teamwork, and are allowed the opportunity for creative expression in a supportive environment.



## Did You Know?

Peer programs that engage youth as mentors, guides and/or role models to other youth can have statistically significant effects on attitudes, norms, knowledge, behaviors, and health and achievement outcomes.<sup>3</sup>



## What Alumni say:

*"The All-American Boys Chorus was a door that opened to me at a vital part of my life. I was a young boy searching for direction, an outlet, a way to express myself. . . Little did I know that this would change the rest of my life."*

— *Alumnus*

*"There's something special about the boys chorus. It's not only the music, but the opportunities that were afforded to us. It's made me a better citizen, a better husband, a better father."*

— *Jim Farmer,  
AABC alumnus ('94)*



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## The All-American Boys Chorus' programs:

- Empower and give voice to boys from diverse backgrounds.
- Utilize music alongside peer-to-peer mentoring and positive adult relationships to strengthen developmental assets and build boys' self-confidence, discipline, and leadership skills.
- Make a positive difference in our community, our nation, and the world through the power and artistry of our voices and the leadership and example of our choristers and alumni.

# Supporting the Mission

It's not just a donation, it's an investment in a boy's future

- **SEASON SPONSORSHIP AND EVENT UNDERWRITING:**  
Our season sponsors and event underwriters form the backbone of our annual budget. They receive a variety of benefits, according to giving level, including VIP tickets to concerts, advertising in programs, and special recognition at events and on our website and social media.
- **SCHOLARSHIP DONATION:**  
You can make a meaningful difference in the life of a boy by making a sustaining, tax-deductible gift to the AABC today for tuition assistance, camp or tour scholarships.
- **PLANNED GIVING:**  
Consider supporting the AABC far into the future through bequests of stocks, IRAs, property and life insurance. Major benefits for you include:
  - Reducing probate costs and maximizing privacy.
  - Reduce or bypass capital-gains taxes, lower current income taxes, reduce federal estate taxes and increase current income.

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