## The Davidson Chorale

Dear Community Partner and Friend,

Here is the biography of the Davidson Chorale:

The Davidson Chorale is the auditioned, elite choral ensemble, under the direction of Phillip Streetman, from Davidson Fine Arts Magnet School in Augusta, Georgia. Since its inception in 1981, Chorale has earned invitations to appear at the ACDA Divisional and National Conventions (2004,2005) and the GMEA Conference in (2004, 2006, 2008, 2010, 2012, 2017, 2020). In 2007, Chorale performed at the NAfME Southern Division Convention in Charleston, South Carolina. Also, that year and again in 2008, Chorale became the first high school ensemble to present a concert on the National Gallery of Art Concert Series in Washington, DC. The group received an exclusive invitation in 2010 to sing for Easter Sunday services at the historic St. Thomaskirche in Leipzig, Germany, the home church of J. S. Bach. The choir followed up this honor with a world premiere performance at Lincoln Center in NYC in 2011 and an invitation in 2012 to appear at Historic Ebenezer Baptist Church in Atlanta, home of the late Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. They are the 2012 Winners of the American Prize in Choral Performance and appeared at the 2014 Southern Division ACDA Conference under the direction of Dr. Timothy Powell. In 2016, at the request of Christ Church of Dublin, The Davidson Chorale joined The New Dublin Voices at the Low Sunday Mass and a Gala Concert, with Dr. Timothy Sharp and Dr. Timothy Powell, guest composers and conductors, under the direction of Phillip Streetman. In 2017, Chorale competed against over 25 choirs in a national choral competition at Walt Disney World, earning Superior ratings and Best in Class, winning the National Competition. In 2018, Chorale toured Spain, beginning with a world premiere performance at La Sagrada Familia Cathedral in Barcelona, singing in venues from Toledo to Madrid with standing room-only audiences. The Davidson Chorale added a collaboration with the late Marco Panuccio, Emmy nominated and award-winning lyric tenor, to its repertoire. Recently, the Davidson Chorale was selected and performed at the American Choral Directors Association Southern Region Conference in Raleigh, NC 2022. In April of 2024, the Davidson Chorale participated in a performance tour of Italy with a heavy coveted performance at the Vatican in St. Peter's Basilica.

Under the direction of Mr. Phillip Streetman, the Chorale has been invited to perform two concerts at the American Choral Directors Association National Conference from March 18-22,