

# Athey Idol 2018 Information Packet

**A Fun Fundraiser for the Athey Creek Choir and Drama Programs**

**Main Event date: Friday, December 7th at 7pm**

Calling all performers! If you are in Mrs. Lee's (or Ms. Gretencort's) Choir or Drama class this semester or next semester, you are invited to participate in Athey Idol 2018! Please carefully read the following materials in this packet (all of this information is available on the Athey Creek website under "Activities")

- **General Information:** Please read all of the information about this fundraiser and the requirements for participating in it.
- **Calendar:** Students are *required to attend all rehearsals*.
- **Entrance form:** You may return this form starting Thursday, October 18<sup>th</sup> from 8:45-9:15am. Representatives will accept entrance forms in front of the school. If you cannot turn it in on Thursday morning, please submit your forms to Mrs. Lee beginning later that day.

**A parent signature is required to participate.**

Performance slots are limited and assigned on a "first-come-first-served" basis!

- **Tickets:** We will sell tickets online and at the door the night of the events. Tickets are available at [eticketexpress.com](http://eticketexpress.com) and go on sale on Thursday, November 8<sup>th</sup> at 10am. If you do not want to purchase tickets online, there will be ticket order forms in the Athey Creek Front Office.
- **Parent Volunteer form:** Please return this form with your Entrance form starting Thursday, October 18<sup>th</sup> at 8:45-9:15am.

It's strongly recommended that parents of participants attend a meeting on

**Wednesday, October 24<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm** in the Athey Creek Choir room. You may sign up for volunteer opportunities at this time.

Thank you and we look forward to your participation!

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# Athey Idol 2018 General Information

In 2004, **Athey Idol** was introduced as a unique fundraiser for the choir and drama programs here at Athey Creek. The idea was simple: create a special performance venue where students star in a fantastic show of their own creation to help raise money for choir and drama. Since then, Athey performers from 6<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> grade have sung and danced their hearts out to sold-out crowds.

**Athey Idol** has proven to be a tremendous success, raising over \$90,000 since its inception! Net proceeds from this event fund almost all of the operating budget of the choir and drama programs. Any monies above and beyond that are used for equipment replacement, repair or toward a special project.

Previous Athey Idol funds have purchased these items:

- Baby Grand Piano
- Curtains separating the lobby from the commons (*along with MAP and the ACMS student body*)
- Three digital pianos (now aging)
- Power amplifier, limiter, a second set of speakers, microphones. stands and cords for our sound system
- iMAC computer
- High-def digital video camera
- Stage curtains (two times!)
- Flat screen TV for classroom use
- Two complete sound systems for concert and stage use, and maintenance and upgrades to same

## ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS

- Each act must have at least one performer who is in Mrs. Lee's or Drama class this year.
- Acts can have any number of students, but be aware that there will be a maximum of four wireless microphones available on stage.
- *This year the entrance fee has been lowered:* each student is asked to pay and \$25 entrance fee. Scholarships are available, please see Mrs. Lee if you would like to be considered.
- Participants need to select a first and second song choice; once their song is approved, they must provide a digital copy of the karaoke track of their song (without lead vocals). We can help with this if needed. The song must be **3 MINUTES or less** (we can edit tracks if necessary to meet this rule). You can purchase and download karaoke music from iTunes and Amazon for \$1-\$2.
- **Each act is expected to rehearse on their own.** There are also four group rehearsals (each act getting a 10-minute session with Mrs. Lee) and a "pre-show" open rehearsal to ensure each participant is thoroughly prepared for this magical evening. Performers are required to attend all four rehearsals.

## **AWARDS**

Athey Idol occurs against the backdrop of a contest, but this event is **first and foremost** about having an opportunity to perform in a special show to help raise much-needed funds.

Funds are raised through seat ticket and concession sales, but more importantly, through the purchase of tickets to vote for your favorite acts! Voting tickets cost \$1 per ticket and you can buy as many as you wish.

- **Athey Idol:** The winning Athey Idol act is the one that raises the most for the cause! The students involved in the act are presented with medals and have their names engraved on the Athey Idol trophy.
- **Judge's Choice Award:** Three acts are awarded a Judge's Choice Award based on skill and achievement during their performance. They will also be presented with medals and have their names inscribed on a plaque that will be kept on the stage.
- **Director's Choice Awards:** All students who have participated in Athey Idol for three consecutive years (6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade) are awarded a medal.

**Athey Idol** is a unique fundraiser for students and their families and has become a fun school tradition. Please read through this information carefully if your child wants to participate. We all look forward to a terrific show and hope you will join us!

# Athey Idol 2018 Calendar

**Performers are required to attend ALL rehearsals!**

What...	Date	Time
First Day to Submit Entrance and Volunteer forms (front of school)	THU 10/18	8:45-9:15am
Parent Meeting for All Participants (Athey Creek Choir Room)	WED 10/24	7-8pm
Sing-thru for Mrs. Lee (Sign up for a time to sing through song for Mrs. Lee)	TUES 10/30	4-6pm
Tickets and Votes go on sale online at <b>www.eticketexpress.com</b> . (Order forms available in the office if you don't want to purchase online)	THU 11-8	10am (Order forms in office)
Rehearsal	SAT 11/10	9-11:45am <b>OR</b> 12:15-3pm
Rehearsal and publicity head shots (Wear your performance outfit)	SAT 11/17	9-11:45am <b>OR</b> 12:15-3pm
Rehearsal	SAT 12/1	9-11:45am <b>OR</b> 12:15-3pm
Closed Dress Rehearsal	TUE 12/4	Act 1 5:30-7pm Act 11 7-8:30pm
Open Dress Rehearsal (Purchase \$5 tickets online or at door)	THU 12/6	CALL TIME 5pm SHOW TIME 6pm

Athey Idol Main Event	FRI 12/ 7	CALL TIME 5pm SHOW TIME 7pm
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# Athey Idol 2018 Entrance Form

***Parent signature required***

Performer's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_  
 Parent's Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Parent's Email Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 Parent's Cell Number \_\_\_\_\_

**Solo** performance \_\_\_\_\_ **Group** performance \_\_\_\_\_ (check one)

List Group members: \_\_\_\_\_ Fee Amount: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Total Fee:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Note for Group performers:**

- **Only 4 wireless microphones are available on stage!**
- **Please attach all performers' entrance forms along with entrance fee.**

**Song Selection Request:**

I/we would like to perform: 1st choice \_\_\_\_\_

**Mandatory!** 2nd choice \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ I need a copy of my karaoke music

\_\_\_\_\_ I will provide my own karaoke music (a copy needs to go to Mrs. Lee)

**I am available to attend *all* rehearsals and the December 7<sup>th</sup> Main Event.** I will commit to working on my performance and choreography, finding costumes and practicing so that the performance will be enjoyable to the audience.

\_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_  
 Student Printed Name Student Signature

**I give permission for my child, \_\_\_\_\_, to perform in the 2018 Athey Idol fundraiser on December 7<sup>th</sup> and to be video/audio recorded and photographed before and during the performance for use in school publications.**

\_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_  
 Parent Printed Name Parent Signature

Submit this form starting at 8:45-9:15am on Thursday, October 18<sup>th</sup> at the table outside the entrance to Athey Creek school. Singing spots are limited and song choices are assigned on a “first-come-first-served” basis. Please contact Mrs. Lee if you need help with the Entrance Fee.

# Athey Idol 2018 Tickets

**Buy tickets at [eticketexpress.com](http://eticketexpress.com) starting Thur, November 8<sup>th</sup> at 10am!**

Once again, we're excited to offer online ticket purchasing, allowing you to select the seats you want to purchase online with a credit card. You may also purchase voting tickets and dress rehearsal tickets online.

If you'd prefer not to pay online, order forms will be available in the Athey Creek front office beginning on November 8<sup>th</sup> at 10am. If you purchase Premium or Reserved seats via the order form in the office, we will assign your seats based on availability at that time. *These order forms will also be available on the Athey Idol Website after November 8<sup>th</sup>.*

**SEATS for DECEMBER 7TH MAIN EVENT (available online, via order form or at the door)**

- Premium: \$25
- Reserved: \$15
- General Admission: \$7.00

**VOTING TICKETS (available online, via order form or at the door)**

Votes: \$1/ticket

**SEATS for DECEMBER 6<sup>TH</sup> OPEN DRESS REHEARSAL will only be sold at the door, not online...**

General Admission: \$5

# Athey Idol 2018 Parent Volunteer Form

*The success of this special event depends on your participation.*

*Your time and energy are greatly appreciated!*

There are numerous opportunities to help out before, during, and after the show. Please know that you can help out during the show and still be able to watch your child's performance. To offer help to our fabulous organizers, please sign up for 2 volunteer opportunities. Please **check** the following list of all the tasks/activities with which you would be willing to help – we need multiple people for most. Sign-ups will also be available during the Parent meeting on Wednesday, October 24<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm at ACMS.

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

## REHEARSALS

\_\_\_ Bring healthy snacks for chaperones and kids during rehearsals

\_\_\_ Help clean-up and put away chairs at end of rehearsals

## TICKET SALES

\_\_\_ Sell tickets at Dress Rehearsal (12/6) and Performance (12/7)

\_\_\_ Usher people to their seats at Main Event (12/7)

## PUBLICITY

\_\_\_ Decorate PTSA Display Case in lobby (week of 11/12)

\_\_\_ Distribute posters around town (week of 11/12)

\_\_\_ Hang Athey Idol banners outside at school (week of 11/12)

\_\_\_ Decorate Athey Idol bulletin board (week of 11/12)

## PHOTOGRAPHY

\_\_\_ Experienced photographer for publicity shots on Saturday, Nov. 17th (during rehearsal)

\_\_\_ Photographer's assistant (during Nov. 17th rehearsals: 9:00-1:30-ish)

\_\_\_ Take pictures at Main Event night (Dec. 7th) for Memory Book

\_\_\_ Athey Idol Memory Book for Choir room (after event)

\_\_\_ I have technical skills in theater production or photography

## PERFORMANCES

\_\_\_ Pick up spotlight (Dec. 1st at Hollywood Lights on McLoughlin)

\_\_\_ Pick up helium tank and blow-up balloons (Dec. 6th before 5pm at Lipmans in SE Portland)

\_\_\_ Setup for Dress Rehearsal (Day of Dec. 6th) and Main Event (Day of Dec. 7th)

\_\_\_ Decorations for Main Event (Day of Dec. 7th)

\_\_\_ Hair and Makeup for Dress Rehearsal (Dec. 6th) and Main Event (Dec. 7th)

\_\_\_ Clean-Up/Strike (take down chairs, tables, decorations) at end of Dress Rehearsal (12/6) and Main Event (12/7)