

Dear Secondary Choral Teachers,

It is with great excitement that I announce the return of “Sing Out! Tenor/Bass Festival”, a choral showcase for your tenor and basses who love to sing. The “Sing Out!” Festival will take place at Desert Oasis HS on Saturday, October 17th and will feature hundreds of middle school and high school tenor/basses from CCSD and surrounding schools. Our special guests are The Las Vegas Men’s Chorus, under the direction of Mr. Ryan Duff, the Silver Statesmen Barbershop Chorus, under the direction of Kyler Wilcock, and the UNLV Tenor-Bass Chorus, under the direction of Stephanie Council.

This is a wonderful opportunity to help boost their self-confidence, and to encourage them to be more involved with your choral program! This fun and “stress free” event will have a long lasting impact on your program. The tentative itinerary for the day is as follows:

8:30 AM - Check in

9:00 AM - Vocal Warm-Up/Introduction/Activity

9:30 AM - Sectionals

10:30 AM - Combined Workshop/Conducting with Dr. Stephanie Council

12:00 PM - Lunch

1:00 PM - Sound checks, Dress Rehearsal.

3:30 PM – Student Workshop/Clinic

5:00 pm - Concert DOHS Gymnasium

REGISTRATION:

The registration fee for each student is \$35.00. The cost covers sheet music, folders, accompanists, facility usage, and a boxed lunch from Honey Baked Ham. Concession stands will also be open during breaks for students to purchase food/drink. Your students will keep their folders and music and can be returned to you for your library. ALL middle school and high school students are invited and encouraged to attend. You may send one student or all of them!

Once you fill out the [Google Registration Form](#) (by Friday, October 2nd to register your students), you will receive an invoice to submit to your school banker on Monday, October 5th. Please send the invoice and school check via U.S. Mail to me by Friday, October 16th (made payable to *Desert Oasis High School Choirs*) to:

Desert Oasis High School
Attn: Michael Polutnik, Choir Director
6600 West Erie Ave.
Las Vegas, NV 89141

CONCERT ADMISSION: \$5.00 for entrance - ALL Children 5 & under are FREE

STUDENT/TEACHER RESPONSIBILITIES: The sheet music and practice tracks will be available on the Nevada ACDA website by Friday, October 2nd. Students will use this to practice online until their first rehearsal on Saturday, October 17th at 9:00 am. Original copies and a folder will be distributed at this first rehearsal. This will help alleviate a lot of students forgetting their music and folders at home or at school. Students keep the music for your library.

The music does NOT need to be memorized and “perfect” by our first rehearsal. The music is very accessible. Your students will learn it very fast once they have other students around them during rehearsals singing their parts. Teachers are also not required to be there with them on Saturday, October 17th for the entire day, as long as you have a chaperone or another teacher designated as the “teacher of record”. Obviously, your students would LOVE to see you at the concert, but it is not required. Please also know that you are more than welcome to stay with us all day, or just stop in for a few minutes to say, “hello”!

Concert Repertoire: (learning tracks will be on the NVACDA website, nvacda.org by October 2nd, 2026).

“Sing Out!” is also available for 3 CU Credits.

Register on Elms by searching:

“ACDA TENOR/BASS CHORAL FESTIVAL AND WORKSHOP”

DEADLINES AND DATES:

Wednesday, September 30th, 2026 - Student Interest Forms are due to the student's teacher.

Friday, October 2nd, 2026 - Registration (via Google Form) is due. (Google Registration Form link in email and letter above).

Please fill out the following required fields on the Google form:

1. Students First and Last Name
2. School
3. Voice Part (TI, TII, BI, BII)
4. Lunch? (Turkey, Ham, Veggie)

Friday, October 16th, 2026 – Payment due. (Or you can hand deliver your school check.)

Saturday, October 17th, 2026 – “Sing Out!” Desert Oasis HS

Registration 8:30 am. Begins at 9:00 am. Concert at 5:00 PM.

DRESS ATTIRE (for entire day): Jeans and school Choir shirt. If your school does not have a Choir shirt, please have them wear jeans and plain black shirt.

I am looking forward to hosting you and your students on the DOHS campus on Saturday, October 17th, 2026. If you have any questions and/or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Michael Polutnik, M. Ed.

Desert Oasis HS, Choir Director

DOHS Performing Arts Department Chair

ACDA Nevada Past President

CCSD High School Honor Choir Co-Chair