





#### What is SCA?

SCA (Showchoir Camps of America) is a weeklong camp held in Tiffin, Ohio at Heidelberg University. Students are placed into groups with a vocal clinician, dance clinician, an accompanist, dance captains and counselors. The groups learn a set of songs along with choreography. There are several breakout sections during the day where the campers pick which class/lecture/activity they would like to attend. SCA is a camp for kids who love to sing *and* for kids who love to dance.

## When is camp?

Camp this year is Saturday, July 8th, 2018 through Sunday, July 15th, 2018. Below is a generic itinerary of our travels:

Saturday, July 7th	Fly to Columbus OH. A charter bus takes the group to a hotel to spend the night.		
Sunday, July 8th	Travel from Columbus OH to Tiffin OH. Check into camp. Audition (optional but strongly encouraged) for dance ensemble, jazz ensemble and the student talent show.		
Monday - Saturday	Attend SCA		
Saturday, July 14th	SCA ends. Travel by charter bus from Tiffin OH to Columbus OH to spend the evening in a hotel.		
Sunday, July 15th	Travel by charter bus from the hotel to Columbus airport and fly home.		

#### How much does camp cost?

There are two separate costs of camp.

Cost Part 1 AIRFARE (this cost varies depending on when you purchase your flight)

We fly on Southwest Airlines to Columbus OH. Families purchase their own flights. **IT IS RECOMMEND YOU PURCHASE YOUR FLIGHTS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.** Prices of seats vary. You can check the prices and receive a credit if later you find a cheaper rate (use the southwest app and check daily). Southwest does not charge for luggage. **We all reserve our seats separately but fly as a group.** 

#### www.Southwest.com

Day	Date	Flight #	Departs	Arrive
Saturday	July 7th 2018	5419	PHX 11:10 am	CMH 5:50 pm
Sunday	July 15th 2018	5218 2744	CMH 1:25 pm MDW 3:40 pm	MDW 1:35 pm PHX 5:15 pm

Cost Part 2 \$950\* Camp Cost (\$699\*) plus 2 hotels nights and charter bus cost (\$251)\*

\*Note 2017 SCA cost \$699 at this time we do not know the cost of 2018 SCA - final costs will be announced at the SCA Parent /Student Meeting - typically held in June.



### Is this a school approved field trip?

No. this is not a school field trip. ACCENTS assists with planning the trip, coordinating the hotel and bus, but this is NOT a school approved field trip. (ACCENTS is the parent booster group for Horizon Choir. They manage the trip, collecting the monies and planning the trip, excluding airfare.)

Mrs. Kluch & Mrs. Paz have agreed to accompany singers to and from camp. Once our kids are checked in at camp, SCA is in charge of the campers.

### Can I use AZ tax credits to assist with paying for the trip?

No. Since this is not a school approved field trip you are unable to use tax credits.

### Why do you travel the day before? Can't we save money by avoiding the hotel costs traveling on Sunday?

We travel the day before because as we travel east, we gain three hours of time. Many of our talented students choose to audition for the dance ensemble, jazz ensemble and talent show. These students would not be able to do this if we traveled on Sunday. Likewise on the return trip home, there is not a non-stop flight available in the late Saturday evening to return home.

### Who will my student room with in the in the hotel? Who will my student room with at camp?

While traveling, we have the kids in double beds - four to a room. *We will try our best to accommodate roommate requests but cannot guarantee them.* Later on once we know all of who is attending, we will send a list out so that kids can requests roommates.

At camp, the kids are in twin beds - two to a dorm room. On the SCA form, there is a place to put a roommate request. Again, we will try our bests to recommend roommate requests but cannot guarantee them. Typically SCA groups kids loosely by grades (middle school, in high school, having just graduated from high school). Please keep this in mind when picking your roommate.

# How much extra money will my student need?

Plan on approximately \$50-\$70 for the few meals not covered at camp. (Think travel day meals). Then for souvenirs - that is an individual family choice. The t-shirts and sweatshirts sold at camp are <u>cash only</u> and range from \$12-\$35.

#### What students can attend SCA?

All students entering 7th grade through students who have just graduated from high school are eligible to attend SCA. We have had students from Women's Choir, Men's Choir, Women's Elite, Show Divas, Towne Criers and Step on Stage attend. Also from our feeder middle schools we have had students from Desert Harmony and Bravo attend. All our welcome to join us!

#### Next steps? Register on line!

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# July 2017~ Campers at SCA



### Quotes from some of our 2016 campers:

- ★ "A place where you can freely be yourself while sharing a passion with everyone around you." Allison R.
- ★ "The world is much more beautiful with music in it, SCA gives us that music." Allyse B.
- ★ "SCA is truly a life changing experience. Being able to work with such talented clinicians and people really pushed me to try my hardest and even step out of my comfort zone. The life lessons that I was taught throughout the week changed my mindset completely to being more positive and confident. By far one of the best weeks of my life." Ashley K
- ★ "We all share the same thing the love of music no one can take that away from us." Kat D.
- ★ "A place to find people who all care intensely about the same thing, show choir; a place where people put aside differences to help each other and make sure everyone succeeds." Katie W.
- ★ "SCA has always been my favorite thing to look forward to and has been the highlight of my year every time." Baylee C.
- ★ "SCA was a great experience where I could I make new friends who enjoy singing and dancing just like me." Ryan