

Las Lomas Performing Arts Foundation

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A Report of Our Accomplishments 2017-2018



The mission of the **Las Lomas Performing Arts Foundation** is to support the Performing Arts programs at LLHS and to provide enhancing opportunities for our Performing Arts students. We are happy to report that the 2017-2018 school year has been a banner year for the Performing Arts programs. Our students have been able to participate in a broad range of fantastic musical, drama and stagecraft opportunities, and the LLHS community has enjoyed many outstanding performances by our very talented students.

This year the **Las Lomas Performing Arts Foundation**, through the hard work and generous support of its members, provided support to the LLHS Performing Arts programs, teachers and students in the following areas:

- Hosted the first "Taste of the Arts" fundraiser highlighting student talent.
- Invested in new portable Chorale Risers with safety railings, updated chorale performance outfits, and funded a piano accompanist for the Choral program
- Commissioned Julie Giroux to create an 8 minute piece, written specifically for LLHS Band, to be premiered at the University of the Pacific.
- Replaced stagecraft tools and sound equipment for the theater.
- Purchased new cellos for orchestra and tom drums & snare drums for pep band.
- Paid for instrumental and choral festival fees. Festivals give our students the opportunity to showcase their talents and perform with their peers from other schools. Many of our participating groups and individual students received awards and commendations for outstanding performances. Choral students received their first Unanimous Superior since 1999!
- Provided transportation for our Jazz Band to attend the Reno Festival.
- Increased scholarship fund for students to attend the Oregon Shakespeare Festival.
- Paid fees for Instrumental Music students to audition for County and State honor ensembles.
- Supported both "A Piece of My Heart" fall play and Shakespeare's "Twelfth Night" spring show by providing meals during rehearsals and volunteers for lobby operations.
- Funded Instrumental, Choral Music and Drama coaches and clinicians to enrich the students' classroom education experience.
- Funded musical instrument repair and piano tuning.
- Provided support for all Instrumental Music and Choral concerts, including program printing, lobby support and post-concert receptions at Las Lomas High School.
- Funded student achievement awards for all three of our Performing Arts departments.
- Consulted with and supported the LLHS staff and students as they plan for the 2018-2019 academic year, with the goal of growing and continuing to improve the Performing Arts programs and providing our students with even more opportunities to develop their talents.

We gratefully thank all of you who have chosen to volunteer or donate to **the Las Lomas Performing Arts**. Thanks to your efforts and generous donations, 2017-2018 has been a huge success. We look forward building on this success next year and to providing our incoming and continuing students with similar opportunities to explore their talents in Drama, Stagecraft, Instrumental Music and Choral.

Respectfully submitted by Executive Board Members of the Las Lomas Performing Arts Foundation: President Stacey Hinton, Vice-President Paige Vazquez, Treasurer Linda Slider, Secretary Dinah Sales