## How to access parent/student information in



**Charms** is an online management system used by performing arts programs all over the nation. Among other things, Charms allows teachers and directors to keep track of financial records and other information for their students. Parents and students can log on from home and see their financial records, update their contact information, and more.

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- A. Go to www.charmsoffice.com and click the "ENTER" link at upper right.
- B. Find the "PARENT/STUDENT/MEMBERS LOGIN" section of the web page.

C. Log into the RHS Choir program account using our School Code, <u>RosemountHSChoir</u>.

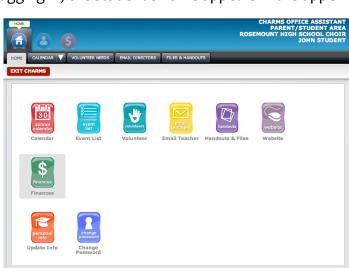
This will bring up the main page:

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- D. From the main page you can view our <u>public</u> <u>calendar</u>, <u>event list</u>, <u>handouts</u> and other files.
  - a. Clicking on a <u>calendar</u> event reveals the details for that event, such as times, attendance requirements and equipment/uniform necessities.
  - b. The **event list** puts all the calendar information in list format for easy printing.
  - c. NOTE: If an event is assigned to some students and not to others, it may not show up on the public calendar. So you should always check the calendar on the <u>Student Area</u> page (see below).

E. Students and parents can access the <u>Student Area</u> by entering the student's RHS Student ID number in the box labeled "Student Area Password." After logging in, the student's name appears in the upper right corner.

- a. In the Student Area there are links to the calendar, individual student's financial records and contact information, etc.
- b. You can update **Personal Information** (click on the **Personal Info** icon) on the student information page, including phone numbers and email addresses for the student and parent(s)/guardian(s). You can also add another parent/guardian contact.
- C. PLEASE NOTE THAT ANY UPDATES OR CHANGES YOU MAKE HERE ARE ONLY RECORDED IN THE CHARMS SYSTEM. TO UPDATE YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION WITH RHS YOU MUST CONTACT THE SCHOOL DIRECTLY.



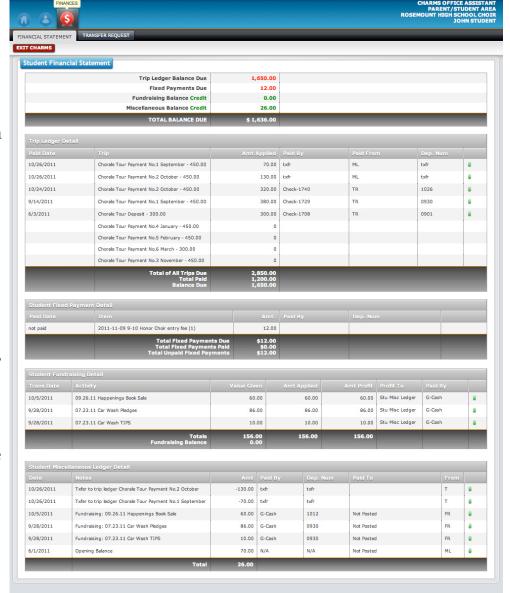
- a. If desired, students can change their passwords by clicking on the **Change Password** icon.
- b. Click the *Finances* icon to see the student's financial records for the current year, including fundraising profits, donations, payments, receipts, and more. You can also request a funds transfer to pay for trips, fees, etc. All of this is explained in the next section, "More About Finances."

## **More About Finances**

When you click on the Finances icon, a screen appears with a blue heading, "Student Financial Statement." On this page you may see up to four different ledgers:

- 1. Trip Ledger
- 2. Student Fixed Payments
- 3. Student Fundraising
- 4. Student Miscellaneous Ledger
- A. Together, the ledgers show:
- the accumulation of funds in a student's account (from fundraising, payments, donations, etc.)
- the outward flow of funds for things like trip payments, class fees, contest entry fees, apparel purchases, etc.
- B. The top section, directly below the blue box labeled

  Student Financial Statement summarizes the balance of all four ledgers.
- C. Numbers in **red** indicate a **negative** balance that is, the total amount currently owed for trip payments or fees.
- D. Numbers in **green** indicate a **positive**/non-negative balance that is, the amount accrued (accumulated)



through fundraising, donations, or miscellaneous payments made to the student's account. (Note that a zero balance – even though it's not a positive amount – also shows up in green, because it is **non-negative**.)

FYI: The green dollar signs at the far right of each line are links to printable receipts for every transaction.

- E. The other four sections give detailed information about the flow of money into and out of the account:
  - a. The Trip Ledger Detail shows any full or partial payments or funds transfers made for a trip.
     It also keeps track of the amount needed to pay off the trip.
  - b. The *Fixed Payment Detail* shows any non-trip related fees or items (such as class fees, honor choir fees, choir t-shirts, etc.) that have been billed to the student. It also shows any payments or funds transfers made towards those fees.
  - c. The **Student Fundraising Detail** spells out how much a student has earned from each of the various fundraisers. \*Note that the profits from each fundraiser automatically transfer to the **Student Miscellaneous Ledger**.
  - d. The **Student Miscellaneous Ledger Detail** shows the **accumulation of funds** from

    fundraising, donations, and general

    payments as well as any trip

    payments that are LARGER than the

    amount currently owed.

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|            | raising Detail                |                |             |        |                 |         |   |
|------------|-------------------------------|----------------|-------------|--------|-----------------|---------|---|
| Trans Date | Activity                      | Value Given    | Amt Applied |        |                 | Paid By |   |
| 10/5/2011  | 09.26.11 Happenings Book Sale | 60.00          | 60.00       | 60.00  | Stu Misc Ledger | G-Cash  | S |
| 9/28/2011  | 07.23.11 Car Wash Pledges     | 86.00          | 86.00       | 86.00  | Stu Misc Ledger | G-Cash  | S |
| 9/28/2011  | 07.23.11 Car Wash TIPS        | 10.00          | 10.00       | 10.00  | Stu Misc Ledger | G-Cash  | 8 |
|            | Totals<br>Fundraising Balance | 156.00<br>0.00 | 156.00      | 156.00 |                 |         |   |

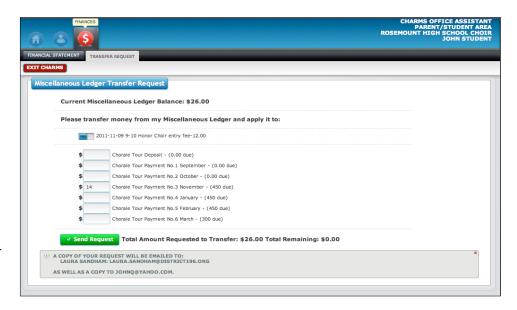
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| 10/26/2011 | Txfer to trip ledger Chorale Tour Payment No.2 October   | -130.00 | txfr    | txfr     |            | Т  | S |
| 10/26/2011 | Txfer to trip ledger Chorale Tour Payment No.1 September | -70.00  | txfr    | txfr     |            | Т  | S |
| 10/5/2011  | Fundraising: 09.26.11 Happenings Book Sale               | 60.00   | G-Cash  | 1012     | Not Posted | FR | S |
| 9/28/2011  | Fundraising: 07.23.11 Car Wash Pledges                   | 86.00   | G-Cash  | 0930     | Not Posted | FR | S |
| 9/28/2011  | Fundraising: 07.23.11 Car Wash TIPS                      | 10.00   | G-Cash  | 0930     | Not Posted | FR | S |
| 5/1/2011   | Opening Balance  | 70.00   | N/A     | N/A      | Not Posted | ML | S |

money (in the form of <u>transfers</u>) from the miscellaneous ledger for trip payments, fee payments, etc.

## F. Transferring Funds

Near the top of the screen is a tab labeled "Transfer Request." Use this to move funds from the Student Miscellaneous Ledger to things like trip payments or fixed payments (i.e., various fees). You can transfer any amount to apply to any payment. You can also apply funds toward more than one payment.

Note: you can only transfer funds if your Miscellaneous Ledger shows a **positive** balance.



If you have any questions about finances or any other Charms feature – or if you believe there is an error in your financial record – please contact Laura. Sandham@district196.org.