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THIRD GRADERS LINE UP FOR FREE EDUCATION ON MAY 2ND

OAKLAND-The Grammy Award winning Pacific Boychoir Academy (PBA) is pleased to announce the new 2009 Talent Search for boys entering 4th grade in fall of 2009. A special audition date of May 2nd 2009 has been reserved for this once in a lifetime opportunity. Two boys will be selected from the auditioning group to receive a full scholarship to the PBA Day School Program. The scholarship will be honored until the scholarship recipients graduate from PBA's eighth grade. The scholarships will be awarded on a competitive basis. PBA is already one of the most diverse musical organizations in the United States (located in one of the most diverse cities on the west coast). The PBA is currently recruiting in an effort to expand the demographics of its students to match the economic, ethnic, and ancestral origins of our community.

"In this time where budget cuts are impacting our schools, we are trying to do our part to give back to the community which has given so much to us. This is an opportunity for a few boys to get a quality private education with low student to teacher ratios and an outstanding curriculum in a boy focused environment," said Pamela Weimer, Academic Dean of PBA.

PBA graduates go to many of the most prestigious and demanding private high schools in the East Bay or find themselves in the advanced special programs (honors or advanced placement) in the public high schools. The graduates are in demand for their motivation, teamwork, self-confidence, appreciation of diverse cultures and academic excellence.

Kevin Fox, the Musical Director of PBA explains; "Some parents and boys don't always know what kind of singing voice they have, some do. Part of our responsibility is to identify the talented boys and then to develop the skills they need to be a successful singer and provide them with life changing experiences to become a responsible young man. We encourage parents to bring their sons in and get a professional opinion on his voice!" To participate in the Talent Search, please call (510) 652-4722.

The Pacific Boychoir Academy is a Grammy Award winning, professional choir for boys, dedicated to excellence in vocal training and performance. PBA has garnered a reputation as one of the finest boychoirs in the United States and international arena. With rich tone, exceptional phrasing, and unmatched musicianship, the PBA performs both individually and as guest artists with other musical organizations, locally and abroad. The group's over 140 members participate in one of six levels of choirs through either the after school program or day school. The PBA is a Bay Area based world renowned 501 (c) 3 non-profit, non-denominational, non-sectarian community organization that welcomes boys of varied ethnic, economic, and geographic backgrounds. For further information visit www.pacificboychoir.org, call 510.652.4722 or email to info@pacificboychoiracademy.org

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