Cantare Con Vivo's All-Star Singers of Oakland Share a Choir Class at JM Submitted by Adam Noel

Co-directors Julie Haydon and Bobbi Scott brought their Oakland-based volunteer youth choir, the "All Star Singers," to Joaquin Moraga Intermediate last Friday for a special hour of choral sharing. Fifteen of the twenty-five public school students from Oakland were on their annual trip which includes stopping to sing for the Rossmoor community when Bobbi Scott thought to ask if they might visit the choir at JM, where she works as a Special Education Aide. All Star Singers' conductor Julie Haydon contacted Adam Noel, the Joaquin Moraga music director, and the two decided it would be a great opportunity for both choirs to share a love of vocal music. When the All

Star Singers' arrived, both groups of students were a little shy, so each director shared a vocal exercise with the whole group, and they "warmed up" together. Both choirs are preparing to go to choral festivals within a few weeks, so they were each able to share a few songs that they had been preparing. The finale was a

rousing version of the Doobie Brothers' classic "Listen to the Music" which both groups had been working on to prepare for this special day. As the bell rang, the JM choir said goodbye to the All Stars, and the All Stars gave all the JM Choir members some candy in appreciation for hosting.

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