

Choir 2016-2017

- THERE WILL BE A MUSIC STUDENT/PARENT MEETING ON TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6TH @ 6:00 PM IN THE HS AUDITORIUM (CHOIR AND PERCUSSION STUDENTS ONLY).

Auditions:

Everyone must audition in the first week. Auditions are very quick and very low stress. I simply need to check your vocal range, if it changed over the summer, and ability level. We will use class time for choir auditions.

Officers and Duties:

Choir President: Help with fund-raising efforts, concert organization, helping with attendance (in class and at concerts).

Vice President: Organization of items handed in, creating Sibelius files, taking over for the president in case of absence or emergency, and filling out the lesson plan book, etc.

Finance Manager: Data entry for fund-raising and music festival info.

Publicist: Make signs and posters inviting the public to attend our concerts and to let them know about upcoming fund-raising events.

Section leaders: will be chosen by Mr. B and are subject to change... Duties include notes in the section leader notebook, running sectionals for class, helping with other tasks (TBA). Piano skills are a bonus! (Want lessons? I know a lady...)

Robe/Gown/Tux Crew: Organize the performance apparel.

Concerts:

Your presence is required at every concert! The concert is a reward for doing well in class, passing spot checks and completing written course work. The only way to make up points for a missed concert is to sing all music to a video camera and I will adjudicate it and give an appropriate grade based on your performance. We will cover concert etiquette in class. *See page two for new information about tuxedos, gowns and robes...*

Expectations:

- Every student needs to come to class with a great attitude and willingness to learn.
- Follow the three R's: **R**espect for self, **R**espect for others, and **R**esponsibility for all your actions.
- Remember that silence is sometimes the best answer.
- Always have a pencil in your folder!
- **Come early to concerts and stay until everything is cleaned up!**
- Take care of your music and folder or you will be charged for the damage.
- Cell phones will live in your folder slot for the duration of class...unless we are using them for a specific project.

TOUR:

Chamber Chorale will be planning a tour to Seattle, WA (RENT) or Salt Lake City, UT (Matilda) this year around Februray 21-26. This year’s tour has not been approved by the school board so there is no information available. More details will be offered if it is approved. This will conflict with District Basketball...sorry.

Fund Raising:

We will be holding fund-raisers this year. We will either sell oranges, mandarins, grapefruit and coffee, or World’s Finest Chocolate in the fall. We are raising money for tours, festivals, literature, etc.

As always, all fund raising is optional.

School Musical:

There will be one school musical this year – *Thoroughly Modern Millie*: Nov. 17-20 (yes, Thursday- Sunday). Audition dates are August 29th and 30th. For more information, check out the web-site:

<http://www.mtishows.com/thoroughly-modern-millie>. We are collaborating with Show Tyme Academy for this and rehearsals will be intense... This show is full of lots of dancing, plenty of comedy and great singing!

Information about tuxedos, gowns and robes:

You will be assigned a robe, tux or gown at the beginning of the year. The administration has requested that each student pay a \$10 fee (robes and gowns) or \$15 (tuxedos) at the beginning of each year to cover the cleaning and repairs throughout the year. If you are in both classes you will just pay the \$15 fee. Students joining after the first week of class will have to pay the fee as soon as possible. You are encouraged to wear deodorant to your performances; however, **you may not wear cologne, perfume, body spray, etc.!** Every choir member needs to own their own black dress shoes and black socks. Mixed Choir will also need black pants.

Men in Chamber Chorale: you will need to launder your tux shirt after every performance!

Concert Schedule:

Please visit our web-site for the most current information. All concerts are planned for 2016-2017.

<http://www.ftsd.org/music>

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I have read the choir handbook and understand that I have to bring \$10/\$15* to school to cover the costs of cleaning and repair of my choir robe, gown or tux*. **Please take your money to the office**, they will send the receipt to me. Cash or checks are accepted. **Please make checks to FHS** and put “dry cleaning fee” in the memo.

Print student name _____

Student **signature** _____

Parent **signature** _____

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