

FALL CREEK CHOIRS



Be On Time
Be Prepared
Be Respectful



Grading

The grade you earn in choir will reflect your individual level of success of each of the objectives we set-out to achieve. Your success will be assessed through individual, class, and teacher assessments. These assessments will be in the form of written self-evaluations, and informal observation evaluations that will take place in our daily rehearsals.

Performance Evaluations (45% Total)

- ✓ Technical musical accuracy of performed pieces
- ✓ Ability to sing the performed pieces with expression and movement
- ✓ Ability to make connections to oneself and the world around them through the performed pieces
- ✓ Performance Etiquette
- ✓ Concert Etiquette

Rehearsal Evaluations (45% Total)

- ✓ Ability to SING using voice production techniques including but not limited to proper posture, breath support and vowel formation.'
- ✓ Ability to CONNECT to the arts, history, culture and human emotions through the pieces we learn.
- ✓ Ability to ANALYZE and EVALUATE each piece of music we study. This includes understanding the way musical elements are organized to create a piece of music.
- ✓ Success in music LITERACY, which includes using and learning Solfege, sight-reading, and simple notation.
- ✓ TEAMWORK...Our choir is a group of people bettering themselves while working towards a common goal. Be a positive, productive member of this team!

Personal Choral Goal (10%)

- ✓ Achieving your Personal Choral Goal and showing growth in your reflection of that goal.

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Concert Dress

We expect our students to look and feel their best when representing their school and community in their performances.

6-8th Grade Choirs:

Appropriate concert attire includes: Dress pants, skirts, dresses, button-up shirts, polo shirts, sweaters, vests, suits and dress shoes. Please refrain from wearing tennis shoes, flip-flop sandals, t-shirts, sweatshirts, or denim jeans (unless very dark black).

Concert Choir:

Each member of Concert Choir will be assigned a Fall Creek Concert Choir Robe. This robe will be housed in-school, but may need to be altered, pressed, or washed at home. These robes will be worn at all of our concert performances, except for the Spring Pops Concert and Graduation. At those performances students will be asked to dress very nicely, and appropriately.

In order to achieve a uniform look within the choir, each member is asked to wear black dress shoes, black socks and black pants. Women may choose to wear a skirt.

Treble Choir:

Appropriate concert attire will be decided upon within the ensemble. All members will need to have an appropriate pair of dress shoes, and appropriate dressy clothing.

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Concert Etiquette & Expectations

We expect our music students to set fine examples of proper concert etiquette at all performances.

Proper Concert Etiquette as the audience at a performance:

- Students will be expected to be an attentive, appreciative audience at all times. This means they are SILENT during the performance, and APPLAUD at the appropriate time after. There is absolutely NO USE OF CELL PHONES.
- Students will be expected to be in attendance throughout the entire concert performance. In some cases an emergency or family situation arises that does not allow for the student to attend the entire concert. If this is the case, I ask that the a parent or guardian contact me either in person, in writing, by phone or email, just to let me know that they needed to take their child home with them.

Proper Performance Etiquette

- Students will be expected to engage in proper performance etiquette during their own performances. These expectations include:
 - Absolutely no talking from the beginning to the end of their performance!*
 - Absolutely no gum may be chewed!*
 - No cell phone should be on!*
 - Hands should be kept to themselves, and at their side.*
 - Their eyes should be on the director with the exception of between songs.*
 - They should accept the audience's applause with a smile!*

Concert Attendance Expectations

- All choir students are expected to be in attendance at all required performances. These performances include all home concerts, as well as Large Group Festival or special clinician adjudications. Only excused absences will be allowed a make-up opportunity. Excuses include severe illness, and family emergencies. The students' parent or guardian should contact Mrs. Mason, and the students need to seek her out to discuss options for their make-up opportunity.

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