

Concert Choir

Directed By: Heather Duncan

Tuition:

\$230.00 per student (includes fee paid to accompanist). (1/2 paid at registration; other 1/2 paid first day of class)

Credit: 1/4-1/2 credit per year

Prerequisites: none

Materials:

Students simply need to bring a pencil and a desire to learn each week. Music and rehearsal folders will be kept at the co-op; students are more than welcome to check out folders to take home for additional practice. Christmas and Spring Concert performances are a required component for credit in Concert Choir.

Expectations:

Concert Choir is a year-long performance-based class consisting of weekly rehearsals and two concerts. It is open to all 8th-12th grade students. The goal of each semester is to work on vocal precision while learning the choral arrangements to ultimately perform these works at the concerts. Although this is the primary focus, realizing the importance of sight singing to develop comprehensive musicianship, the teacher will train the students to recognize interval patterns which will help them to become more independent singers. Singing and learning four-part harmony for all songs will be 90% of the class time. Rehearsal at home is not a requirement, but is encouraged, in order to perform music at various difficulty levels and to meet upcoming concert deadlines. Concerts function as the student's final exam; therefore, students are expected to attend the Christmas and Spring concerts, unless they are sick, have had a death in the family, or another unavoidable conflict occurs. If a student must miss, he/she will be required to complete an alternate assignment. There will be a required concert attire for our Christmas and Spring concerts. Required concert attire is listed below. Any student who has a love for singing is encouraged to join Concert Choir!

All East – Any interested student can audition for the All East choir. There is an additional fee for this that differs from year to year. Please talk to the teacher if interested in this opportunity.

Mandatory Concert Choir Events (for final grade):

2023 Christmas Concert
Usually early December

2024 Spring Concert
Usually end of April or early May

Optional Concert Choir Events:

Choir camp (first week of August)

All East

Mandatory Attire Worn for Both Semester Concert Performances:

Ladies:

“Corelli” Style Concert Dress - COST: approximately \$60

(Purchased by Ensemble Teacher from Southeastern Performance Apparel). (Due by the End of September)

*****Take Note:** All returning female students may use their previous year’s dress and will not need to purchase a new one.

Men:

Black Suit/Matching Black Dress Pants Combo – COST: approximately \$85 Cumberbund/Bow-Tie Combo - COST: approximately \$14

(Purchased by Ensemble Teacher from Southeastern Performance Apparel). (Due by the End of September)

*****Take Note:** All returning male students may use their previous year’s suit/pants & cummerbund/bow tie (and will not need to purchase a new combo). Also, men do not need to order a Suit/Pants Combo if they already have their own black suit & pants at home, but they must be solid black (no pin strips or patterns).