

McDonough High School | Chorus

CHORUS - 54.02210

3rd Block – 12:30 PM – 1:45 PM

CONTACT INFORMATION

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REMIND class code: @sangmhs

COURSE DESCRIPTION

Provides beginning-level and intermediate-level performers opportunities to increase performance skills and knowledge in mixed choral singing. Covers performance and production, analysis and theoretical studies, historical and cultural contributions and influences, creative aspects of music, and appreciation of music. Organizes objectives for self-paced progress. Stresses individual progress and group experiences.

DETAILED OVERVIEW

In this course, students will refine elements of vocal technique and musicality with the goal of combining all elements into a successful public choral performance.

CLASS EXPECTATIONS

- Attend class daily.
- Be on time for class.
- Remain in class until dismissed.
- Be engaged and participatory.
- Project a positive and respectful attitude toward peers and instructors.
- Commit to improving knowledge of music theory and technique as a musician.
- Be open-minded.

VIRTUAL BEHAVIOR EXPECTATIONS

- Respect everyone and our space at all times.
- Dress appropriately.
- Bad attitudes, food, and drinks are not allowed.
- No vulgarity.
- Video on at all times.
- Mics muted.

MATERIALS & SUPPLIES AND VIRTUAL MUSIC RESOURCES

- Composition Notebook
- Pencil
- Highlighter

VIRTUAL MUSIC RESOURCES

- www.sightreadingfactory.com
- www.smartmusic.com
- www.musictheory.net

GRADING SCALE

90-100	A	40% Practice Work 40 % Assessment Task 20% Summative Assessment
80-89	B	
70-79	C	
60-69	D	
59-Below	F	

ATTENDANCE

ABSENCES

If a student must be absent, it is the **STUDENT'S RESPONSIBILITY** to make arrangements for make-up work.

EXCUSED ABSENCES

If a student must be absent it is the **STUDENT'S RESPONSIBILITY** to make arrangements for make-up work. Students should follow-up with me for any missed assignments on the first day they return to school. The number of days allowed to complete make-up work will not exceed the number of days absent. Until the assignment is made up, a letter grade of "M" will be placed into Infinite Campus. If absent on a test/quiz day, students must be ready to take the makeup test/quiz on the first day they return. Failure to comply with this procedure **will result in a grade of zero (0)** being given for graded assignments missed during an excused absence.

UNEXCUSED ABSENCES

Students will not be allowed to make up graded assignments missed during an unexcused absence. Absences due to suspension from school are considered unexcused. Students assigned to In-School Suspension who choose to serve their suspension at home (OSS) will not be given the opportunity to make up work missed during the period of suspension. Students are allowed to make up schoolwork missed while suspended from school pending their disciplinary hearing. In situations where students are suspended from school during the period of semester exams, principals will make arrangements to allow students to complete their exams. In situations where Out of School Suspension is assigned, the ability to make-up any missed work is at the teacher's discretion and students may be removed from the 3rd year program.

PARENT AND STUDENT RESOURCES

Campus Portal

The Campus Portal is a confidential and secure Web site where you can get current information about your child's school attendance and grades. SEE: <https://schoolwires.henry.k12.ga.us/Page/174>

Parent and Student Remote/Virtual Learning Expectations

The purpose of this document is to outline the conditions parents can expect during Remote Learning for their child. A Remote Learning environment provides an extension of the physical school building by engaging students with HCS curriculum and instruction via a student learning device. SEE: https://schoolwires.henry.k12.ga.us/cms/lib/GA01000549/Centricity/Domain/36/HCS%20Remote%20Learning%20Agreement%20-%20SY2020-2021%20_FINAL%207.30.20.pdf

McDonough High School Counseling Department

Our counseling/student services support team is committed to providing school counseling services and support during our digital learning days. SEE: <https://schoolwires.henry.k12.ga.us/cms/lib/GA01000549/Centricity/Domain/3301/2020-2021.pdf>

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Suicide Prevention Lifeline and Resources

For immediate access to routine or crisis services, please call the Georgia Crisis and Access Line (GCAL) at 1-800-715-4225. GCAL is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week and 365 days a year to help you or someone you care for in a crisis. GCAL professionals will:

- Provide telephonic crisis intervention services
- Dispatch mobile crisis teams
- Assist individuals in finding an open crisis or detox bed across the State
- Link individuals with urgent appointment services
- In addition, GCAL will help you to access a State Funded provider in your area in a non-emergency as well.

A nationally accredited Health Care Call Center, crisis center, and partner in the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline, the Behavioral Health Link Crisis call Center is proud to operate the Georgia Crisis and Access Line. SEE: <https://www.georgiacollaborative.com/providers/georgia-crisis-and-access-line-gcal/>