

6<sup>th</sup> Grade Choir Students and Parents,

Hello and welcome to Choir!

Below is this year's schedule, expectations, grading policies, and more. Please familiarize yourself with the information as it is a great place to refer to throughout the year and has a great deal of information.

**After reading through the handbook, please sign your concert schedule sheet, detach on dotted line, and hand back in during class time.** Information is also available on my classroom website. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me through phone, email, or just stop in the choir room.

Once again, I'm very excited for all that this year has in store for the Hayfield Choir Program and all that we will accomplish!

Sincerely,  
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# 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Choir Handbook

## 2020-2021

### Choir Classroom Expectations

- **Participate** to the best of your ability *every single day*
- Treat others and classroom items with **respect**
- Display a **positive attitude**
- **Be on time** during class and concerts with materials needed.
- At the end of class, **clean up** any items in your surrounding area.
- **No gum or food** is allowed in the choir room. Water bottles are allowed.

### Covid-19 Singing guidelines

The state and school have set guidelines specific to singing to keep our students safe. Students will be socially distanced 6 feet apart both indoors and outdoors while singing. Students will also be masked when singing indoors. We will be singing outdoors as much as the weather permits.

### Online Expectations (Netiquette)

Follow expectations posted above. Remember, our online learning tools are an extension of our classroom. You are still expected to be respectful and kind.

Check in with teacher at the beginning of class

- Stay engaged
- Mute your mic if not speaking in video call
- Use chat to raise hand to share ideas or ask questions
- Only add conversation to Teams when asked. This is a space for the entire class to see important updates from Mrs. Lynch.
- Use the chat to ask questions

## **Grading**

### **Summative (50%)**

- Concert Performances
- Concert Reflections
- Singing assessment
- Test/Quizzes

### **Formative (50%)**

- Daily rehearsal technique
- Worksheets
- Journal activities

A	100-94
A-	94-90.9
B+	87-89.9
B	84-86.9
B-	80-83.9
C+	77-79.9
C	74-76.9
C-	70-73.9
D+	67-69.9
D	64-66.9
D-	60-63.9
F	59.9-0

## **Concerts**

**\*\*Concerts may look a bit different this year with the Covid-19 restrictions. Please note that all performances are subject to change. Depending on the restriction at each given time we may need to alter performances as needed.**

Concerts are a major part of your summative assessment grade. **All concerts bolded in the schedule below are graded and require attendance.** Make sure to mark these performances on your family calendar or post them on the fridge. Concert expectations and grading rubric will be given and explained before each concert.

**Excused absences:** Excused absences include personal illness, family emergency, and unavoidable family trips (made before the beginning of school year). These absences may be made up by an individual performance of your music for Mrs. Lynch. If an excused absence does occur, an email or phone call must be provided to Mrs. Lynch by a parent/guardian. Make sure to plan ahead in clearing your schedule and arranging transportation.

**Unexcused absences:** An unexcused absence are absences not verified from a parent or guardian. These absences will be made up with an alternative concert assignment and an individual performance of you part of the concert music.

**Concert Dress:** Choir members should wear appropriate dress clothes for performances. It's important to look our best! All outfits must follow the HHS dress code.  
Girls- dress pants/skirt/dress, dress shirt and dress shoes (no high heels)  
Boys- Dress pants, dress shirts and dress shoes.

## Music Awards All 6<sup>th</sup> grade choir members are eligible for the following awards.

**Singer of the Year:** Given to one student that has demonstrated outstanding vocal skills, leadership, and attitude.

**Most Valuable Vocalist:** Awarded to the student that has demonstrated outstanding vocal skills.

**Most Improved:** awarded to the students that has improved the most vocally and musically through the year.

**Unsung Hero Award:** Awarded to the student that has demonstrated outstanding leadership, attitude, hard work and dedication.



## Hayfield 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Choir Calendar 2020-2021

Date	Time	Event	Place
October	TBA (during class time)	Performance at Field Crest Care Center	Field Crest Care Center (Outdoors?)
December 21 <sup>st</sup>	7:30 pm	Holiday Concert	HHS West Gym
March 16 <sup>th</sup>	7:30 pm	Midwinter Concert	HHS West Gym
May 6 <sup>th</sup>	7:30 pm	Spring Concert	HHS West Gym