

6th Grade Choir Students and Parents,

Hello and welcome to Choir! I'm excited each of you have chosen to be in 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 back 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 don't hesitate to contact me through phone, email, or just stop in the choir room.

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

Sincerely,

Mrs. Megan Lynch

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Choir 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.

Grading

Summative (60%)

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

Formative (40%)

- Dailey rehearsal technique
- Worksheets
- Journal activities

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| 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 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 alternative assignment regarding the concert unit. 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 transportation.

Unexcused absences: An unexcused absence are absences not verified from a parent or guardian. An unexcused absence from a concert will result in a "0" for the concert grade.

Concert Dress: Choir members should wear appropriate dress clothes for performances. It's important to look our best!

Girls- dress pants/skirt/dress, dress shirt and dress shoes (no super high heels)

Boys- Dress pants, dress skirts and dress shoes.

Music Awards

All 6th grade choir members are eligible for the following awards

Outstanding Vocalists: Given to a select group of students who have displayed outstanding vocal skills, hard work, and dedication.

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



Hayfield 6th Grade Choir Calendar 2016-2017

| Date | Time | Event | Place |
|--------------------------|---------|-------------------|-------|
| December 5 th | 7:30 pm | Holiday Concert | HHS |
| March 13 th | 7:30 pm | Midwinter Concert | HHS |
| May 11 th | 7:30 pm | Spring Concert | HHS |
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I have read the 2016-2017 6th Grade Choir Handbook and understand the class expectations.

Student signature _____ Date _____

Parent signature _____ Date _____