

CCJHS Chorus Syllabus

2020-2021

Instructor Information

Instructor	Email	Office Location & Hours
Mrs. Janet Sain	Janet.Sain@chestercountyschools.org	CCJHS 7:30-11:00 CCHS 11:30-3:00 (Planning 11:30-12:30)

General Information

Description

6th Grade Beginning Chorus. 7th/8th Grade Chorus. Chorus is open to all students at CCJHS. The class meets daily with the intention of providing students with a well rounded vocal music education. Tennessee State music standards for middle school vocal music will be taught in these classes. Elements such as vocal pedagogy, reading and notating music, music history and theory, etc. are all included. In order for you to get the most out of these classes, participation is required on a daily basis. Chorus is a performance based content. Therefore, students will be performing at the school and in the community throughout the year.

Expectations

- Be on time and be prepared!
- Bring sheet music folder, paper, and pencil daily.
- Wear your **MASK**. (With COVID, we must take every precaution!)
- Have an outstanding **ATTITUDE** and great **BEHAVIOR**! (Discipline issues will not be tolerated and will be dealt with in an appropriate manner.)
- Cell phones are a distraction to instruction. Put cell phones **AWAY**!
- Participate with **ENTHUSIASM** in all rehearsals and performances.
- Chorus is a Performing Arts Class. **Performances are MANDATORY** unless sickness, death in the family, or other emergency prevents attendance. (Must be documented with Dr. or parent note.) Performance dates will be announced well in advance.
- Do the right thing, because it's the right thing! Be Respectful to all people, and property.
- Being in Chorus is an Honor. Take Pride in what you do!

Course Materials

Required Materials

Black 3 prong or ring folder for sheet music (Teacher can provide one if needed)

Paper & Pencil

MASK (While COVID is active)

Required Performance Attire

The Chorus ensemble will strive for excellence. Performance attire should portray that. The required attire is listed below. Any changes in these requirements for certain performances will be announced.

Gentlemen:

- Black dress pants
- White button down long sleeve dress shirt
- Black socks
- Black shoes (NO TENNIS SHOES)
- Bowtie will be provided for some performances
- Hair/Facial Hair should be well groomed
- No Jewelry

Ladies:

- Black Dress, Skirt, or Dress Pants (FULL LENGTH PLEASE!!)
- White blouse if wearing a skirt or pants (No sleeveless dresses or blouses)
- Black dress shoes (Heels should not be high. A flat or wedge is preferred.)
- Please limit any jewelry to a simple pair of earrings and a small necklace. (Pearls would be a great choice.)
- Hair accessories should be minimal. (small bow, clips, headband are okay if black, white or neutral in color).

Required Text

Sheet Music will be provided. Sheet music is EXPENSIVE! Therefore, it is expected that you treat it with care and return it in a timely manner.

Grading

Grading will be based on the following each 9 weeks:

Class Participation: 40%

Performance: 25%

Assignments: 20%

Tests: 15%

Parent Communication

REMIND APP/Phone/Letters

Parent Communication will primarily happen via the Remind App. Please sign up for notifications if you haven't already. You are also welcomed to reach me by phone at the schools or cell. If you need my cell number, please request it. On occasion, a letter may come home.

Personal Note

I am very excited to be teaching Chorus in Chester County. I'm looking forward to a great year with wonderful students and families!

-Mrs. Sain