Frederick School Choir Handbook 2023-2024

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Email (preferred method): davis.kathleen@d46.org Welcome to another fantastic year at Frederick! I'm very excited for a new school year directing the Frederick Choir. I have been the general music teacher at Frederick for 21 years and love to sing. We will have two choirs, one for each grade level, and many opportunities for students to showcase their music talent; solo singing, piano or other instrument or even dance in concerts. FIFTH GRADE CHOIR BEGINS TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5th at 8am and SIXTH GRADE CHOIR BEGINS THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 7th at 8am.

Schedule

All Choir rehearsals take place once a week from 8:00-8:40am in the music room. This time slot does not interfere in any way with the core classes being taught in your child's classroom. 5th graders will meet on Tuesday mornings, and 6th graders will meet on Thursday mornings. This will avoid any conflicts with morning band rehearsals so that choir students are not missing any rehearsals of either performing group.

Contacting Mrs. Davis

For all contact information, please note the phone numbers and email address on the cover of this packet. Also, please be advised that my voicemail is NOT connected to a direct phone line (it will simply go straight to my voicemail). The best time to get in touch with me through the front office is 8:00-9:00am Monday, Wednesday or Friday or 3:15-3:30 any day. Otherwise, I am very prompt at replying to emails. I will usually respond to emails within a few hours. Also, I will be sending out information throughout the year using the email addresses you provide on the registration form.

Attendance

Because we only meet once a week, **attendance is vital** to the success of each ensemble. I take attendance each rehearsal via a sign-in sheet. If your child needs to miss a rehearsal for any reason, please let me know as soon as possible. Too many absences may jeopardize your child's eligibility to perform in our concerts/contests. As choir is like a team, we rely on all the members to be present to work together.

Drop Policy

During the year, if your child is no longer interested in continuing choir, you (the parent) MUST notify me in writing of his/her intent to discontinue. Upon receipt of your written consent, I will remove your son or daughter from my roster and take you off my mailing list so you won't receive any email updates in the future. Without written notification I cannot remove your child from choir, and they will continue to be called down for rehearsals.

Set the Date! Please mark on your calendars.

Here are some very important concert dates to write down. Winter Concert -December 12, 2023 6:30 PM Concert Attire (Black pants and white shirts or blouses) **Spring Concert**

-May 7,2024 6:30pm Concert Attire-(Black pants and white shirts or blouses)

For all concerts, attire is as follows:

- White shirt or we may order choir t-shirts
- Dark pants or dark skirt
- Comfortable shoes (they will be standing or moving for an extended period of time)

FREDERICK SCHOOL CHOIR SIGN-UP

Your child's name_____

Grade: _____

Parent name_____

Phone number: _____

I would like my child to be in Choir. I know choir will be on Tuesdays, starting September 6th for 5th grade and Thursdays

, starting September 8th for 6th grade . I commit my child to attend concerts that are in December and in May. Please write your name again as a signature.

PARENT SIGNATURE _____