



Student Name:

Today's Date:

Choir:

Miss Brien

Syllabus

Dear Singers and Significant Others,

I look forward to serving you in choir this year as a teacher, director, conductor, and mentor. I expect to have many great musical moments with you and from our work together. Please do not hesitate to ask questions or contact me via email and I will strive to respond within 24 hours.

Sincerely,

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CHS Choirs Mission Statement:

We will relentlessly pursue excellence in choral singing through fundamentals of music and music making.

CHS Choirs Ensemble Goals:

1. Sing with a beautiful tone quality
2. Understand and sing correct rhythms and pitches
3. Develop technical skills for singing
4. Listen to and make decision about balance, blend and intonation
5. Sing melodies/phrases that are lyrical and expressive
6. Exercise and apply musical imagination, interpretation and style
7. Be an effective (contributing) member of an ensemble

Grades will be based on the following:

- ❖ **Participation 25%:** 100 pts given at beginning of each trimester. Deductions are made in response to late assignments or inappropriate classroom behavior. Many assignments are non-knowledge or non-performance based; therefore those assignments are placed in this category. Song Project assignments, notes, journals, substitute assignments, evaluations, reflections are all examples of participation work.
- ❖ **Rehearsal Skills 25%:** 100 pts given at beginning of each trimester. Deductions are made in response to inappropriate behavior during rehearsals. Teacher observation, student reflections are used.
- ❖ **Knowledge 25%:** Written quizzes, assessments. CHS Retest & Makeup policy will apply. Answer keys and

writing rubrics are used.

- ❖ **Performance 25%:** Rhythm, Scale & Sight-singing Passoffs; Song Project Performances; Presentations. Makeups and Redo's are to be arranged on an individual basis at director's discretion. Performance rubrics are used.

Materials required for Choir are:

- Black, ½"-1" 3-ring binder.
- Lined Paper
- Pencils
- Pen-no red

Expectations*

- ★ Golden Rules for Life
- ★ Be Responsible FOR Yourself, and TO Others

*Should a conflict arise, speak with the director, teacher, or accompanist as soon as possible and we will strive to resolve it in an appropriate manner.

Wisdom:

- If you are tardy to class, you will immediately work on tardy assignment and turn in before joining the class
- If you are **too ill** to participate, you are **too ill** to be at school. Go home and get well. Otherwise, you will participate in warmups to the best of your ability, then sit outside your section and complete a **rehearsal notes assignment**.
- Leave personal distractions outside the choir room, as well as food, drinks other than water, and gum; however, you can add your **legacy** to the gum sculpture instead of the landfill.
- Each grading category makes up **1/4** of your entire grade. Students must complete all assignments.
- CHS Missing Assignment & Retake Policies apply in this class at teacher discretion.
- Check your **Infinite Campus** weekly for missing assignments, comments, and messages.
- Complete uniform is required for performances, unless otherwise instructed. Students without a complete uniform **WILL NOT PERFORM**.

Personal NOTES, GOALS, AND QUESTIONS:

Upon reading this syllabi, please visit www.centuryhighchoirs.com to “sign” the [Syllabus Signature Form](#). This will require some important information needed for in-class activities and any travelling the choirs may do throughout the year. **Both Student and Parent/Guardian** need to complete a form to earn full participation points on this assignment.