

Name _____
Class: CHOIR Period: 9
Date: _____

COURSE SYLLABUS FOR CHOIR

COURSE DESCRIPTION: Class meets Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays from 2:45-4:00 p.m. There will be no class on Wednesdays. There may be occasional Mondays when Choir can meet and those will be spelled out on another handout.

REQUIRED MATERIALS

- Pencils and pens
- A section in your binder marked “Choir” with binder paper
- A neat folder for music only (the first one is provided)
- *Optional but highly encouraged: A recording device, i.e. Smartphone or Android*

GRADING POLICY

You will earn a CREDIT (worth an A in GPA) or NO CREDIT (worth an F in GPA). Everything above 60% is the grade of a CREDIT. Anything 59% and lower is the grade of a NO CREDIT.

Please check schoolloop.com for your grade. It is updated almost every Friday. If there are any discrepancies, let me know.

GRADING PERCENTAGES, according to each category, are as follows:

40% LISTENING (see “Discipline” listed below)

25% PERFORMANCE ATTENDANCE (see Absent/Make-up Work listed below)

20% PARTICIPATION IN CLASS (see Absent/Make-up Work listed below)

15% QUIZZES, WRITTEN ASSIGNMENTS (see Absent/Make-up Work listed below)

100% TOTAL GRADE

CLASS CANCELLATIONS

On occasion, I may have to miss class, due to illness, mandatory meetings, etc. Because the class occurs after school hours, the class will not have a substitute and will be cancelled. If I know this in advance, I will post this notice on schoolloop and tell you. In the event, I am unable to know in advance, I will ask the school to post a note on the classroom door, the front office will know, and I will ask it to announced, as well as we will try to post it on the girls’ locker room whiteboard, at least.

MUSIC/FOLDERS (broken/damaged/lost)

All music should be left in your folder. All returned assignments should be left in your *binder*, so that the folder is not too full. Any music lost must be paid for, so it can be replaced. Students will be given a folder. If it is lost or broken and needs replacing, students must pay 25 cents to get a new one.

ABSENT/MAKE-UP WORK

In an effort to teach you to be responsible for yourself, my make-up policy leads you to see the importance of keeping up with your work and getting it in, in a timely manner.

If you miss a test, assessment, or quiz, contact me via schoolloop or talk to me after class, to arrange a make-up time. If you miss getting an assignment, try to download it on schoolloop; if it is not available there, you may ask for a copy, after class. If you miss class participation points for being absent, you can choose to write a one-page paper on any singing artist of your choice, using a new artist for EACH absence.

If you miss a performance, there is no way to make up those points. There are very few exceptions and they are dealt with on an individual basis.

DISCIPLINE

Stopping class for disruptive behavior causes all students to learn less than the optimum. Therefore, you are awarded 3 points per day for your listening skills and good behavior. Each time a talk cop, or myself, notice inappropriate behavior, you lose a point. You will be warned after two points are docked in one day. If you get a third point docked, you will be out of points and will be sent home early.

If inappropriate behavior becomes the norm, there will be a parent/student/teacher meeting. After a trial basis, student may still be dropped, if the behavior doesn't improve and continue improving. My goal is to have everyone ON TASK. Rewards - a happier teacher, you learn more, and your grade will be higher.

I have read and understand the expectations for Choir.

STUDENT SIGNATURE _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE _____