

Choir Program

Why Should I Sing in Choir at Cathedral?

Students in the Cathedral High School Choral Program develop singing and musical skills, make lifelong friendships and have FUN! The choir curriculum is designed with the following model in mind: comprehensive musicianship through performance. This means that students will be trained in proper vocal techniques, music theory, and music history which will be applied throughout the year with multiple performance opportunities. Each choir will have applied studies in sight reading during rehearsals. Students are asked to give a year long commitment to the choir class and can earn college prep, academic, and honors credits for their participation in choir.

If you are ready to help us continue our tradition of excellence, make Cathedral High School Choir a part of your daily schedule!

CATHEDRAL CONCERT CHOIR

Cathedral Concert Choir is a non-auditioned mixed (SATB) ensemble that performs a variety of music representing a broad spectrum of history and regions. During the year, students will have the opportunity to sing at school mass, the Christmas and Spring concerts, Shamrauction, and other events throughout the community. The Concert Choir also participates in yearly national or international tours. Past tours include the following: Rome, Italy; Orlando, Florida; New Orleans, Louisiana, and Dublin, Ireland. In March 2020, the Concert Choir will compete in the Heart of America National Music Festival in Nashville, Tennessee. The Cathedral Concert Choir class is open to all 9th-12th-grade students and everyone is welcome!



IRISH ADRENALINE SHOW CHOIR

The Irish Adrenaline Show Choir is Cathedral's advanced auditioned ensemble for young women in 9th-12th grade. Show Choir combines elements of singing, dancing, and performing in a fifteen-minute competition travel show for competitions in January, February, and March. During the off-season, Irish Adrenaline performs a variety of music at concerts, masses, and events throughout the school year and participates in a yearly national or international trip. If you love to sing and dance in a nurturing, fun environment, this group is for you! For audition information, please contact the director, Marian Bender, mbender@gocathedral.com.

IRISH GUYS WITH TIES

The Irish Guys With Ties is Cathedral's male a cappella group for young men in grades 9-12 who love to sing, no auditions required! Rehearsals are held during flex periods once or twice weekly. Irish Guys with Ties performs a variety of popular music, and they sing at Christmas and Spring Concerts and other school events. For more information about singing with this fun, energetic group, contact mbender@gocathedral.com.



GOSPEL CHOIR

Under the direction of Chelsa Lee Samuels, Cathedral's Gospel Choir is a mixed SATB choir that performs various genres of music with an emphasis on the gospel style. Gospel Choir sings at the Christmas and Spring Concerts, Mass, and local church services. No audition is necessary. This choir class is open to students in 9th-12th grades. For more information, contact cleesamuels@gocathedral.com.

ISSMA Competitions & Festivals

Cathedral's choirs participate in all ISSMA competitions, and are very active in local, national, and international choir festivals throughout the year. Our students perform and win several awards and top-ranking honors in these festivals.

Performance Trips

Choir tours are a wonderful way for students to boost self-confidence, independence, and discover new places. National and international touring also provide educational growth through cultural exchanges. Past choir tours include Austria, Canada, Ireland, New York City, New Orleans and Orlando, Florida. Last year, the Cathedral Choirs traveled to Rome, Italy, to sing at St. Peter's Basilica. In March of 2020, the Irish Adrenaline Show Choir and Cathedral Concert Choir will compete in the Heart of America National Choir Competition in Nashville, Tennessee.

Outreach

Cathedral Choir members look for ways to share their talents in the community and beyond! From singing at Cathedral events to nursing homes and events in the community, Cathedral Choirs are extremely present in the community and enjoy bringing their gifts to others through song.



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