

AIS WEST CHOIR

About Mrs. Slavens

I am starting my 23rd year of teaching, I live in Danville on 10 Acres of land, I have a daughter Olivia and five dogs, Corbin, Princess, PePe, Winter, and Izzy. We have three Alpacas and 2 chickens as well. My husband and I have been married for 22 years. His name is Brian and he is an identical twin. I grew up in Connersville In, received my Bachelors of Science in Music Education at Ball State University.

I LOVE music and I LOVE teaching others about music and how it works. I will be hard on you because I set my expectations high, but I am willing to hear your voice, as my students, and want you to get the most out of my music class. I love to laugh and have fun, but I am first and foremost the person who is trying to make you , the best you can be!

I'm looking forward to a great year!

With Questions or concerns please call me.

(317)544-5900 ext 5995

Or email : ekslavens@avon-schools.org

Daily Expectations

1. Bring your **music binder, computer and pencil** (sharpened) every day you come to my class.
2. Bring a good attitude.
3. Raise your hand for questions, Kleenex, bathroom, or drinks of water.
4. No talking while someone else is talking.
5. TRY! I can accept failure, but I can't accept not trying!
6. Masks are Highly recommended when singing. <https://myshieldusa.com/>
7. Cleaning Chairs before exiting.

Supplies needed

One Binder at least 1 1/2 - 2''' (used only for choir material, not a section in a portfolio).

25- 50 sheet protectors

Pencil

Pencil "pouch" to put in binder. Could be a ziplock baggie that is hole punched.

Classroom Rules and Expectations

T- R-Y Policy (rules)

T- Take Responsibility for Yourself

- Get to class on time
- Have all supplies you need
- Mistakes happen....learn from them
- Follow all directions

R- Respect others, yourself, and all school property

- Take good care of music and folders
- Use good manners and language
- Feet on the floor, not on the chairs
- No talking when others are talking/singing
- Hands to yourself, no running!
- Help create a "safe singing environment"

Y- Your participation matters

- Set bad attitudes outside the classroom.
- TRY everyday
- We are only as good as our weakest member.
- ALL SCHOOL RULES APPLY.....NO GUM!!!!!!

In order to create a nice learning environment, I would expect you all to listen to directions and participate . You took choir and we sing in choir. If you are not participating, your daily choir grade will be deducted.

IF YOU CAN TALK TO ME, YOU CAN SING TO ME. A sore throat does not mean you cannot sing. If you are Hoarse, please bring a note from home.

Important Dates
Men's Only Concert

Cancelled due to No field Trips at West

****Holiday Concert – All Choir Students**
Wednesday, December 8, 2021 (subject to change)
6:15 p.m AIS WEST GYM

****Spring Concert –All Choir Students**
Tuesday, May 17, 2021(subject to change)
6:15 p.m. AIS WEST GYM

Required Concert Attire

Students will be able to perform but their Grade will be reduced, if they are missing one of the elements of the attire.

Black Polo short sleeved with Avon Performing Arts Emblem.

Pair of Dress Khaki Pants (girls may wear a skirt that is at least knee length).

Dark Colored dress shoes **or ALL BLACK Tennis shoes.**

Also, if they miss a performance, they will have to make up the points with an alternate assignment. If they do not finish the assignment they LETTER grade for the grading period will be reduced by 15%.

Please be aware that some of the music that we will be performing will include secular, as well as sacred (religious based) music. Sacred music is an excellent learning tool in choral music, but if there is an issue with singing it, please email me or call me.

SIGN AND RETURN AFTER READING THOROUGHLY

Please keep the handbook and return, only this page, to Mrs. Slavens as soon as possible!

Deadline: Sept. 3rd

I have read the choir policy guide and understand the policies and procedures for the choir program at AIS West.

I, _____ and _____, have read and understand the
(parent) (student)

Avon Intermediate School West Choral Handbook. I feel as though I can make a positive contribution to the Choir program at Avon Intermediate School West and that I will follow all rules and procedures outlined herein.

Student Name

Homeroom

Parent Signature

Date

T-shirt order form: 6th Graders are required to purchase a performance shirt.

Please contact me via email if you cannot financially make this happen.

\$15.00 a shirt

Name of student:

Size*: YL YXL AS AM AL AXL AXXL (add. \$1.00)

Total enclosed: _____

Make Checks Payable to AIS WEST

Check Number: _____ **Cash:** _____ **(Exact Change Please)**

Date received: _____