



Tenafly High School Performing Arts

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Choir Course Descriptions

CONCERT CHOIR (654)

Grades 9-12 5 Credits

Prerequisite: Department recommendation

The Concert Choir performs all types of music from lighter pieces to major works for chorus and for chorus and orchestra. Students will study proper vocal techniques and the performance practices and historical significance of works they sing. A study of the poetry and musical form constitutes an integral part of the curriculum. Works will be performed in the language in which they were written with the aid of a specialist in that language. The Concert Choir performs in the two yearly music department performances and special concerts throughout the year. Attendance at these performances is mandatory.

ADVANCED CHOIR 1-4 SSA (658)/SATB (653)

Grades 9-12 5 Credits

Prerequisite: Selection by Audition

Prerequisite: Department recommendation after qualifying audition and interview.

The advanced choir class prepares the student musician for the requirements of advanced and college literature and includes participation in the annual Madrigal Festival. The difficulty of music and materials are at an advanced level and the concept of music memorization is introduced. The advanced choir will develop skills to proceed to honors choir and provide music for the community on various occasions outside of the annual concerts and the school day. Additional rehearsals may be called as necessary. Attendance at all performances is mandatory.

HONORS CHOIR 1-2

Grades 11-12 5 credits

Prerequisite: Successful completion of 2 years of Advanced Choir (B or better) in addition to a department recommendation after qualifying audition and interview.

The honors choir class prepares the student musician for the requirements of college literature and includes participation in the annual Madrigal Festival. The difficulty of music and materials are at college level, solo performance opportunities are required and music memorization is mandatory. The honors choir will provide music for the community on various occasions outside of the annual concerts and the school day. Additional rehearsals may be called as necessary. Attendance at all performances is mandatory.