



Bel Canto

Insert Teacher Name

Insert Room Number

Full Year

Insert Period

Insert Email Address

COURSE DESCRIPTION

Bel Canto Singers is a full year course that meets twice in each four day rotation. Students will read three and four part choral scores, with a focus on fundamental aspects of reading and performing as a blended choral ensemble.

This course is offered to all choir students in grades 10-12 who have mastered Fairfield's Skill Level VI and who wish to continue their study of vocal techniques, ensemble rehearsal and performance techniques and music literacy. Participation in all scheduled rehearsals, concerts and outside performing events as listed in the Choir Handbook are required.

Adherence to the department policies including the Code of Ethics and performance dress code is also required.

As part of the High School Choral Program, all choral students will progress through a Repertoire Cycle in which they will complete an in-depth study of repertoire from various time periods and genres. All choral groups will target one block of the Cycle each year, and after four years, all participating choral students will have studied each genre in the Repertoire Cycle regardless of ensemble.

COURSE OBJECTIVES

Students will understand:

- Select, analyze, and interpret artistic work for presentation.
- Develop and refine artistic techniques and work for presentation.
- Convey meaning through the presentation of artistic work.
- Perceive and analyze artistic work.
- Interpret intent and meaning in artistic work.
- Apply criteria to evaluate artistic work.
- Synthesize and relate knowledge and personal experiences to make art.
- Relate artistic ideas and works with societal, cultural, and historical context to deepen understanding.

COURSE POLICIES AND REQUIREMENTS

GRADING

Cumulative/In-Progress Grade:

- 10% of the grade will be based on formative assessments, homework completion, or behavior (see FPS BOE [Policy 6154AR](#))
- 90% will be based on summative assessments based on a minimum of eight assessments (see FPS BOE Policy 6146AR)

End-of-the-Year Grade:

- 80% of the overall course grade will reflect the student's mastery of course content and skills during the school year through the Cumulative/In-Progress Grade.
- 10% of the End-of-the-Year course grade will be based on the Mid-Year Assessment
- 10% of the End-of-the-Year course grade will be based on the Final Assessment.

Grade Reporting

- All grades will be communicated through Infinite Campus
- Summative assessment results will be reported back to the student within ten school days from the date of submission or the due date.

Guidelines for Late Work (see FPS BOE Policy 6146AR):

- Late work will be accepted for both summative and formative tasks within a defined timeline agreed upon between the student and the teacher
- The total points may be reduced as a penalty for late work

MATERIALS:

Black ½ inch, 3-ring binder

Pencils

EXPECTATIONS OF STUDENTS:

EXTRA HELP:

Insert Course Expectations Here