## Frontier Middle School Chorus Handbook 2021-2022

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## Welcome to Frontier Middle School Chorus

#### Welcome to Chorus!

As we begin a new school year, we are looking forward to sharing our love of Choral music with you! This year at FMS promises to be a great one! We are all here because we love to sing! Chorus will promote musical growth, confidence, literacy, vocal technique, music proficiency, and of course, the enjoyment of singing!

#### **Classroom Expectations**

#### PLEASE BE READY TO SING!

~Please make sure you only sit in the designated areas

~Please make sure you have your music folder for all rehearsals.

~Bring a pencil to mark your music.

~ Participate in all warm-up activities.

~Please don't talk during rehearsal. It distracts others. You also do not want to miss any important information.

~ Please make sure you take all of your belongings with you and return your chorus folders to their appropriate area.



## **Grading and Policies**

#### **40% Rehearsal Participation**

Every Voice Counts. We are a team ! Remember. You are Needed your voice is an important part of our whole choral ensemble. Importance is placed on an individual's ability to function as a member of the section, show self-discipline during rehearsal and devote him/herself to the task at hand. Class participation can earn a student participation points for each rehearsal. Please put forth your best efforts. All members are expected to participate fully while rehearsing music, any vocal warm-up and sight singing activities or assignments linked to our rehearsal process.

#### **50% Concert participaction**

Concerts here at the Middle school are mandatory. Normally we have two concerts (Winter/Spring) per-school year. This year however we will also be involved in the Choral Spectrum concert in March. After working together so hard I am confident that everyone will make their best effort to attend. If you miss a performance due to illness/family emergency you are exempt. If you have to miss a concert for another reason. A make-up assignment might be necessary.

#### **10%** Quarterly singing or written evaluation

There will be one required individual or small group written and or singing evaluation for each marking period.

## Concert Dates: 2021-2022

Winter Concert: Wednesday , December, 15th 2021 (day one) 6:00 p.m. Spectrum Concert: Wednesday, March 16th 7:00 p.m. (Grade six night) Spring Concert: Monday, May 16th<sup>th</sup> 2022 (day one ) 7:30 p.m.



#### **Concert Dress**

All concert dress must adhere to the FMS Dress code policy

Ladies: Black skirts or pants. White blouses; black dress shoes and dark stockings. Gentlemen: Black dress pants; white dress shirt and dark tie; black dress shoes and dark colored socks.

# Other Important Festival and Audition opportunities 2021-2022

Here are some highlights!! Be sure to check our web pages and chorus room board for additional opportunities. FMS Musical Audition for Elf Jr. : Tues., September 28th and Wed. 29th 2021 All-County Chorus auditions-Mid October (here at FMS) November 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th 2021</sup> FMS Musical March 5th,9th,11th and 12th 2022 ECMEA -All County Music Festival ~NYSSMA Solo festival May 2022 Frontier High SchoolFor additional information and practice tracks: Check out the FMS Chorus Website: Here are three of the songs we will be working on. You can also access the music by going to our website at:

https://frontiermschorus.weebly.com/



Please sign/ return this page only to Ms. Mis by September, 27th 2021

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_Period/Day:\_\_\_\_

**Parents**: I have read the chorus course description that includes all participation expectations and policies. I understand the requirements for my child to have a successful year in Chorus.

Parent Signature	Date:
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**Students**: I have read the chorus course description that includes all participation expectations and policies. I understand the requirements to ensure my success.

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