Frontier Middle School
Chorus Handbook 2022-2-23

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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, 14th 2022** 

 **(day one) 6:00 p.m.**

**Spectrum Concert:**

**Wednesday, March 15th 2023**

**(day one ) 7:30 p.m.**

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We want to look professional, neat, proud and uniform. Please make sure your

clothes are neat, pressed and presentable. Please use the ideas below as a guide.

**Top:** Any white blouse, dress shirt, sweater etc… Please make sure it is white.

**Bottom:** Black dress pants, full or knee length skirts. Just as long as they are black.

**Accessories**: Please make sure your shoes, socks, leggings etc.. are black

Ties should be dark in color. But, can we use holiday colors for the Winter concert

or bright colored/patterns for the Spring concert.

**Other Important Festival and Audition opportunities**

**2022-2023**

Here are some highlights!!

FMS Musical **Auditions** for Beauty and the Beast Jr. - September(listen for announcements)

November 17th and 18th 2022 FMS Musical

ECMEA Elementary All -County Chorus Auditions- At FMS TBA

ECMEA Elementary All -County Chorus Festival 2023

March 4th,15th,17th and 18th (concert) 2023

~NYSSMA Solo festival April 28th and 29th Frontier High School

**For additional information and practice tracks:** Check out the FMS Chorus Website:

**You can also access the music by going to our website at:**

[**https://frontiermschorus.weebly.com**](https://frontiermschorus.weebly.com/)

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Please sign/ return this page only to Ms. Mis

 by September, 16th 2022

**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\_\_\_\_\_\_**

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

**Student Signature \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**What is the name of the FMS Chorus Website?\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**