



CHARLOTTE HIGH SCHOOL CHOIR HANDBOOK



2023-2024

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Membership

students working more independently within their voice sections to learn their music to maintain a high level of musicianship.

Our student named Ensemble, *Fratellanza*, is made up of only lower voices (Tenors and Basses), and encompasses all levels of skill. If you are a Tenor or Bass, you will be placed in this class automatically. Here, we focus on the unique experience of being in a Tenor-Bass choir, the fundamentals of singing together, IPA, languages, etc.

Students may audition for *Charisma*, which is the advanced, mixed voice ensemble. Historically, this group would perform within the community; this has been much more limited due to COVID-19. In this ensemble, we focus on maintaining high levels of musicianship, sight-reading on a regular basis with students working independently within their voice parts to learn their music.

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director before or after school. The rehearsal will be 30 minutes, and will cover all material addressed in the original rehearsal.

Missed performances will be made up with a written paper about a specific composer related to the repertoire sung in class, or the culture the piece of music came from. It will be 2 full pages, single spaced, 12 pt., Times New Roman font. Extenuating circumstances resulting in an absence from either graded event will be discussed privately with the director, so an appropriate solution can be reached.

Charlotte High School Choir Expenses Contract

This form is to help keep track of all monetary transactions within the choir program. By filling out this form, you are helping limit the possibility of something being misfiled, lost, or unaccounted for. Please include this form in the envelope along with the what is being paid. If more than one fee is being paid simultaneously, please list all fees this payment fulfills.

CHOIR STUDENT:

AMOUNT:

Student/Parent Contract and Acknowledgement Form

The success of the choir department is dependent upon each individual choir student adhering to the policies and procedures set forth in the handbook. Singers are expected to fulfill all expressed commitments and responsibilities. If a student fails to meet the designated performance and participation requirements, he/she/they will be given grade reductions. Any deviations from this policy will be at the sole discretion of the choral director. Reasonable consideration will be given relating to legitimate conflicts including but not limited to familial tragedy, religious requirements, medical emergencies, school activities, and academic requirements in other areas. Students and parents must communicate in writing and in advance (if possible) in order to provide time for proper resolution of any schedule conflicts.

I have read the 2023-2024 CHS Choir Handbook, understand the expectations and responsibilities of the course, and agree to abide by the policies set forth in this handbook. I also understand the consequences for failing to meet these requirements that have been outlined herein.

Student Name (Printed): _____

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

Charisma Student Contract

Charisma is normally more involved in the community than the other ensembles within our program. It can be a major time commitment, particularly in the holiday season. Students will be given ample notice prior to each performance. If the group is requested short notice, a discussion between the director and students will occur to determine whether or not the performance request will be accepted. Should a student have to miss the performance, they must notify the director as soon as they are able. **Failure to do so in a reasonable time frame may result in the student's removal from the ensemble.** This contract must be signed as an acknowledgement of the responsibility that has been accepted by each student enrolled in this ensemble to be punctual and performance ready at each singing opportunity this school year. Parents/Guardians must also sign this form to ensure that they are fully informed of their student's commitment.

I, _____ hereby understand the commitment I have made to this ensemble for the 2023-2024 school year. I will be at each required performance on time, and ready to perform. If a conflict arises, I will notify the director as soon as I am able, so that other arrangements may be made to make up for the missed grade.

(Student Signature)

(Date)

(Parent/Guardian Signature)

(Date)

Advanced Treble Choir Contract

The members of this ensemble will be expected attend events outside of the school day