

## Auditioned Choir Attendance Policy

*Chamber Choir meets Mondays and Thursdays from 2:30 to 3:10pm.*

*Madrigal Singers meets Wednesdays and Fridays from 2:30 to 3:10pm.*

*Show Choir meets Wednesdays and Fridays from 2:30 to 3:10pm. There will also be monthly evening rehearsals. These will be scheduled according to the availability of the ensemble members and director.*

*Members of all choirs may be asked to attend long rehearsals, usually during the week of a performance. You will be notified of them well in advance. Please be prepared to commit to these as well as the regular rehearsals.*

*Students are allowed two “free” absences **per semester**. After the second absence, you will be tested on what you missed at each subsequent rehearsal. Frequent absences may also affect your eligibility for certain solos/opportunities/etc.*

*A “**late**” is when you either arrive late to rehearsal or **leave early**. (If you miss **20 minutes** or more of a regular rehearsal, it counts as an absence.) 3 “**lates**” equals one absence.*

*Absence from a long/evening rehearsal **may directly affect** your Class Participation/marking period grade.*

*Please see the MUSIC DEPT. GRADING POLICY for information on how an **absence from a concert** or any **performance** will affect the marking period grade, and for all other pertinent information regarding your grade for an auditioned choir.*

*Our understanding is that all school athletes are to arrive at their practice by 3:15pm (not before). Our rehearsals run **until 3:10**, unless the director says otherwise. If a coach has a different expectation for you, please feel free to have them contact us.*

*We ask that you and your parents do your best to schedule doctor, dentist, etc., appointments around our rehearsal times.*

*Please take care that you do **not** plan to meet with teachers for **extra help** during our rehearsal times. (**Extra help is NOT an appropriate reason for absence from choir.**) Please take the time to discuss possible meeting times with your other classroom teachers that do not conflict with our rehearsals.*

**NOTE:** If you need to be absent from rehearsal, please notify Mr. Hopta or Mrs. Cudworth at least an hour before the rehearsal, either by email or in person. It is necessary for their planning purposes to know how many students will be in attendance that day. Do not wait until immediately before the start of rehearsal to tell them you cannot be there.

As always, if there is an issue, please reach out!