

HONOR CHOIR

Honor Choir is an auditioned performance choir composed of 3rd through 8th graders (both day school and homeschool/ISP students). We rehearse on Tuesdays from 3:00-4:00 in the Upper Room beginning on September 6th. Our concert is March 30-31, 2023. All information and rehearsal calendar will be up to date on the website @ bereanchristian.org/studentportal

Expectations

Students will participate in rehearsals and performances with respect to their peers and director. Students must understand that music will be challenging and hard work and practice will be expected. They do not have to take their music folder home, but if they do, they must bring it back to the next rehearsal. All music and practice tracks will be available on the student portal for them to practice when they miss. Practice at home will be required so they feel confident in rehearsals.

Life happens and rehearsals may be missed. However, more than three (3) missed rehearsals will require an explanation to the director and could have possible disciplinary action.

Fine Arts Fee

A \$75 fine arts fee is expected by Nov 1st from each Honor Choir member. If your child is involved in multiple productions (*for example: Beauty and the Beast*) you do not need to pay the fee a second time. One \$75 fee covers all fine arts events for the year. You can pay this through myschoolbucks or by cash/check to the office noting that it is a fine arts fee.

Three-Strike Behavior System

Behavior must be exceptional. It is a privilege to be in this choir and disrespectful or misconduct of any kind will not be tolerated. Before a strike is given, the student will be warned and notified privately by the director that their behavior must improve. If additional rehearsal time is spent singling out that individual, a conversation with the parent/guardian will take place after rehearsal and will be considered strike one. Strike two will involve parent/guardian notification, and a principal notification. Strike three will be a meeting with Mrs. Smith and principal explaining why that student will be removed from Honor Choir for the remainder of the season. The student must re-audition to be considered for following years. Frequently missed rehearsals without explanation can also result in a strike with a decision made on a case-by-case basis.

If there are no behavior issues, once students are in Honor Choir, they are invited to return each year without audition until they complete 8th grade.

Performance

This year, Honor Choir will host their own performance worship event March 30-31 entitled "The Story of Hope". We will be using music across all genres to tell the Gospel story through song. There will be many opportunities for solos, instruments, and choreography. Rehearsals will increase in length and frequency as that concert approaches. After the performance, Honor Choir will end for the year.

Logistics

I will gather all elementary students as a group from the auditorium at 3:00 and walk them up with their things to the upper room. Middle school students will already be with me for 7th period theatre, so they will simply remain with me.

Dismissal will take place from the upper room. Please park in the spaces next to the library(now STEAM)/upper room, or wait in the upper campus pickup/drop off lane. If your student goes to after care, they will be walked down together after car-riders are dismissed. Please notify me by text if your student goes to after care or to a sports practice after rehearsal. 384.5855

Let's make some noise!

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