

7th & 8th Grade Chorus Syllabus

Strath Haven Middle School 2017-2018

Director: Ms. Aimee Pearsall



- Rehearsals:**
- 8th Grade: Day 1 of the Music Department Schedule
 - 7th Grade: Day 2 of the Music Department Schedule
 - 7:00-7:45am in the choral room (C-123)
 - Monthly calendars will be available at all rehearsals or at <http://www.wssd.org/a.pearsall>
- Transportation:**
- Rehearsals begin promptly at 7:00 am. Please be in your seat and ready to go by 6:55 am.
 - Drop off for all morning rehearsals is at the **Copples Lane** entrance to the school.
 - If you have an issue with transportation, please contact Ms. Pearsall.
- Lessons:**
- Group vocal lessons will be during student lunches each week. You can find the schedule on Ms. Pearsall's whiteboard or on the bulletin board in the music hallway.
 - **You are expected to attend 1 lesson per week!** ☺
 - Instruction will include proper vocal production, diction, breathing, ear training and music theory. We'll have fun too!! :)
- Concert Dates:**
- 7th and 8th Grade Fine and Applied Arts Nights:
 - 7th Grade Choir: December 5 at 7:00 pm
 - 8th Grade Choir & Cantabile: December 7 at 7:00pm
- Concert Attire:**
- Black dress pants (no leggings), white long-sleeved dress shirt, black dress shoes & socks. Dress "to impress!" :) We want to look professional.
- Cantabile:**
- Auditions for Cantabile will take place on:
 - Monday, 9/18, Tuesday, 9/19, and Wednesday, 9/20
 - Make-up auditions will be on 9/22.
- ***Any student who wishes to audition for Cantabile must also be an active member of the 7th and 8th Grade Chorus. Audition requirements will be presented at the first rehearsals of the 7th and 8th Grade Chorus.
- Grading:**
- Your final grade will be influenced by the following:
 - Your attendance at our morning rehearsals
 - Your attendance at our lessons
 - Your level of mastery over our concert repertoire and other techniques (I will help you with this in lessons!)
 - Your effort, focus, and respectfulness
- Expectations:**
- Attend and be on time to all rehearsals and performances
 - Always give your best effort
 - Be respectful to Ms. Pearsall and classmates
- Contact Info:**
- apearsall@wssd.org
 - (610) 892-3470 ext. 7137
 - www.wssd.org/a.pearsall
 - Please look on my teacher webpage for announcements and forms.
 - Feel free to contact me with any questions/concerns!