

Masconomet Regional High School Curriculum Guide

Course Title: Chorale

Course Number: 8321

Department: Music

Grade Level and Phase 10-12 Honors

Length of Course: Year

Course Description:

Chorale is a select vocal ensemble that focuses on repertoire of an advanced caliber and has performing opportunities both inside and outside of school. Students will earn their honors status with responsibilities for vocal development and musical expertise. Chorale members must maintain a level of musical literacy and be able to sight sing at a competitive level. Chorale will share some repertoire with Chamber Choir and perform some of the larger works with them in addition to doing community service with that group at Christmas gigs. In addition to three concerts and holiday gigs, members will also have mandatory performances at the Foreign Language Banquet, the Formal Recital, Art Song Recital solos, Memorial Day Ceremony and Baccalaureate.

Pre Requisite: Audition for the director demonstrating advanced level of musicianship for assigned placement in ensemble. Candidate must be able to read music and demonstrate vocal accomplishment.

Objectives:

Improvement of vocal, technical, musical, and performance skills which include:

Healthy vocal technique

Projection of voice

Good posture

Good embouchure (mouth position)

Strong diction

Ability to sing voice part within student's section

Ability to sing voice part within a mixed formation

Memorization of music

Proper stage and concert etiquette

An improved ability to read pitches and rhythms at sight with and without the aid of Solfege syllables.

The ability to sing and pronounce multiple languages correctly.

These objectives support the following **Learning Expectations from the Masconomet High School Mission Statement: A1, A3, A4, S1, S2, S3, C1, C2, C3**

Assessment:

Grades will be assessed as follows:

- 1. Class participation – 45%**
(Rehearsal skills, Vocal Technique, Musicianship skills, *Classroom behavior*)
- 2. Performance attendance – 20%**
- 3. Class attendance grade – 35%**
- 4. Final Exams count as 25% of semester end grade.**