

Masconomet Regional High School Curriculum Guide

Course Title: Ladies Chorale

Course Number: 8441

Department: Music

Grade Level and Phase 10-12 Honors

Length of Course: Year

Course Description:

Ladies Chorale is a select vocal ensemble that focuses on repertoire of an advanced caliber specifically for women's voices. It has performing opportunities both inside and outside of school. Students will earn their honors status with responsibilities for vocal development and musical expertise. Ladies Chorale members must maintain a level of musical literacy and be able to sight sing at a competitive level. Time in class will also be spent on intensive drilling of musical skills. In addition to three concerts and holiday gigs, members will also have mandatory performances at the Foreign Language Banquet. Members will also be expected to perform in a solo setting in a recital either for class or in public.

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.**