

Masconomet Regional High School Curriculum Guide

Course Title: Singers Honors

Course Number: 8402

Department: Music

Grade Level and Phase 9-12 Honors

Length of Course: Year

Course Description:

Singers Honors is a select vocal ensemble that meets concurrently with Singers for 3 periods per cycle. Members are also required to attend 3 after school rehearsals as well as extra sessions during period 6A. Students enrolled in Singers Honors will perform as members of the larger Singers ensemble as well as a smaller independent vocal ensemble. Grading is based on class participation, attendance at all concerts and rehearsals, and other criteria as developed by the conductor. Singers Honors membership also focuses on music reading skills with a focus on directing students to further involvement with higher honors ensembles in future years. It is highly recommended that students taking this class with intentions of continuing singing ensembles in future years take Music Theory during the alternating days that Singers does not meet.

Pre Requisite: Audition for the director demonstrating level of musicianship for assigned placement in ensemble.

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.**