

CASH Audition Information and Agreement

Chorus Festivals and Vocal Ensembles

Auditions will be held during class or tutorial in early September for the following extracurricular groups and festival opportunities:

- CASH Vocal ensembles (Vocal Ensemble, Women's Ensemble, Men's Ensemble) – Grades 9-12
 - Returning members do not need to re-audition.
- PMEA Jr. High District Chorus (Grade 9) and PMEA Sr. High District Chorus (Grades 10-12)
 - You MUST be in one of the Chorus classes in order to audition for a PMEA Chorus festival.

Vocal auditions

- Students auditioning for ANY of the Vocal groups and/or festivals will audition ONCE. We will select ensemble members and festival nominees based on that single audition.
- All students will audition on the same music, which will be taught in class prior to the audition dates.
- Students auditioning for a PMEA festival or for CASH Vocal Ensemble will be required to sing their specific part in the audition (soprano, alto, tenor, bass), as well as the melody. Singers may be selected on a different voice part from the one that they auditioned for.
- Students auditioning for Women's Ensemble or Men's Ensemble may audition on their voice part OR on the melody.
- Singers may be asked to sing the melody in several different keys in order for us to hear where their strongest range lies.

CASH Audition agreement:

Festivals:

Students who are auditioning for any PMEA Chorus Festival agree to the following terms:

- Daily practice at home, in addition to attendance at all scheduled rehearsals. Attendance at rehearsals alone will NOT be sufficient preparation for the festival.
- Rehearsals will be scheduled before and after school. A schedule will be issued.
- Attendance at all scheduled lessons during the school day is mandatory for festival participants. Missed lessons must be rescheduled and made up within one week.
- Three unexcused absences from scheduled rehearsals/lessons will result in being dismissed from the festival.
 - Absences must be approved by the teacher at least one week before the session, except in the case of an emergency.
 - Failing to plan ahead is NOT an emergency.
- Music is to be learned quickly and thoroughly. Extra rehearsal materials will be made available for your use, but your learning of the music is NOT dependent on the availability of these materials.
- If it is obvious from your progress that the required time and effort is not being spent on learning the music, you may be dismissed from the festival at the discretion of the teacher.
- If your grades in your school classes are not maintained at the highest expected level, you may be dismissed from the festival at the discretion of the Music teacher.
- I understand and agree that I am required to attend the entire festival. No absences from any part of the festival will be permitted except in case of dire emergency.
- I understand that if I do not attend the festival, I may be required to repay the school for my registration fee.

Vocal groups:

Students who are auditioning for a CASH Vocal group agree to the following terms:

- Regular practice at home, in addition to attendance at all scheduled rehearsals.
- Rehearsals will be scheduled as stated in the description of each ensemble. A schedule will be issued.
- Attendance at all scheduled rehearsals.
- Three unexcused absences from scheduled rehearsals will result in being dismissed from the ensemble.
 - Absences must be approved by the teacher at least one week before the session, except in the case of an emergency.
 - Failing to plan ahead is NOT an emergency.
- Music is to be learned quickly and thoroughly. Extra rehearsal materials may be made available for your use, but your learning of the music is NOT dependent on the availability of these materials.
- If it is obvious from your progress that the required time and effort is not being spent on learning the music, you may be dismissed from the ensemble at the discretion of the teacher.
- If your grades in your school classes are not maintained at the highest expected level, you may be dismissed from the ensemble at the discretion of the Music teacher.

I am auditioning for the groups and/or festivals marked below (please check all that apply). I agree to all of the conditions as set forth above.

____ PMEA Jr. High District Chorus (Grade 9). Please indicate voice part(s) ____
____ PMEA Sr. High District Chorus (Grades 10-12) Please indicate voice part(s) ____
____ CASH Vocal Ensemble Please indicate voice part(s) ____
____ CASH Women's Ensemble Please indicate voice part(s) ____
____ CASH Men's Ensemble Please indicate voice part(s) ____

Name: _____ Grade: _____ Date: _____