

Feb. 9, 2018

Second Semester Music Events/District MPA

Parents,

We have several important music performances early this semester! First, for **Chamber Choir students**, a **Wake County Choral Festival** is being held at Edenton St. UMC on Feb. 27 at 7pm. We are participating in this event (as marked on the calendar since the beginning of the year) and will need to report late that afternoon (time is TBD, based on the performance order). The performance features a half-a-dozen WCPSS choirs as well as a local collegiate program, all of which is freely open to the public. Students should find their own transportation to this event (including parent drivers). The program will likely conclude between 8:30-8:45pm.

For both choirs, on March 7th, members of the 3rd and 4th period chorus classes will be singing in **the annual Music Performance Adjudication choral festival** being held in Jones Auditorium at Meredith College. This performance will be assessed by professional choral musicians and will be a great educational experience for the students. In many ways, it is like the EOC for music classes. I expect the students will do really at this festival, and the average scores that we received will become a major assessment grade for us.

We will be traveling to that festival via school activity buses. Following the performance (open/free to public), we will move to another room in the building (closed to public) to complete a judged sight reading exercise. After this event, we will go to Cary Town Center for lunch in the food court. We will need at least 2 parents to ride on a bus and would appreciate a few more at the performance venue and at lunch (we only have room for 2 on the bus). The itinerary looks as follows:

9:45 am: Students report to the chorus room (get dressed for the performance)

10:00 am: Depart PCHS for Meredith College

10:30 am: Arrive at Meredith College

10:45 am: Warm up for performance: Women's Ensemble

11:00 am: On stage performance: Women's Ensemble (open to public/free!)

11:15 am: Sight reading performance: Women's Ensemble (closed to public)

11:45 am: On stage performance: Chamber Choir

12:00pm: Sight reading performance: Chamber Choir

12:30 pm: Depart for mall

12:45 pm: Arrive at Cary Town Center for Lunch

1:30 pm: Depart for PCHS

1:50 pm: Report directly to 4th period

The students will miss part of 2nd and 1 other academic class and should prepare the work that they will miss ahead of time. Teachers are being notified of this absence as well, and are being instructed to mark the students as "here" as it is an approved school trip.

If you can come and view our performance, we'd love to have you there! A Sign-Up Genius link is on our website, **www.panthercreekchorus.com** As the campus will be on spring break, it is likely the only large building where there will be a steady stream of movement to and fro. Parking is free wherever you can find it.

Please fill out and return the attached permission slip

Many Thanks,

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