



2022-2023 Choral Handbook

Triway Junior High School
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Google Classroom Codes

7th & 8th Grade Choir: **tz3I56v**

6th Grade Choir: **53kpr5i**

Required Materials

- Chromebook
- Folder/Music (will be provided)
- Pencil
- Water Bottle

Classroom Expectations

All students are expected to adhere to the classroom expectations listed below:

- No food is allowed in the classroom, including chewing gum. Only water is permitted in the classroom, and students are encouraged to bring their own water bottle every day. Staying hydrated is an important part of developing healthy singing habits!
- Be Prompt: To be early is to be on time, to be on time is to be late, and to be late is unacceptable.
- Be Present: Always listening when someone else is speaking.
- Be Polite: Treat everyone with the utmost respect.
- Be Passionate: Do your best work at all times.
- Be Prepared: Practice outside of class so that you can perform your best in class.
- Students are expected to use the restroom facilities appropriately. If a student is found not using the restroom appropriately, they will not be permitted to use the restroom in this class for the remainder of the year.

By signing the handbook agreement form, the student agrees to the above expectations and understands that it is ultimately at the discretion of the instructor to assign an appropriate consequence depending on the severity of the infraction.

Grading Policy

All choirs are all graded on a points-based system; these points are divided into two categories:

- Homework: Each assignment is worth ten (10) points.
- Concerts: Each concert is worth one hundred (100) points.

Concert Attire

- Choir students will be expected to wear concert black to every concert. Below is a list of some examples of concert black.
 - Black shirt with black pants, black socks, and black shoes
 - Black dress with black shoes
 - Black shirt with black skirt and black shoes
- Jeans and tennis shoes are discouraged.

Calendar (Required Performances)

- **Junior High & High School Band & Choir Concert**
 - Dress Rehearsal December 9th, 2022
 - Final Performance December 10th, 2022
 - Triway Junior High School Gymnasium
 - 6:00pm Junior High, call time 5:15pm
- **All Triway Choral Celebration**
 - Tuesday, March 21st, 2023
 - Triway Junior High School Gymnasium
 - 7:30pm, call time 6:45pm
- **Spring Junior High & High School Choir Concert**
 - Tuesday, May 23rd, 2023
 - Triway High School Auditorium
 - 6:00pm, call time 5:15pm
 - 7:00pm Awards Ceremony

Conflict Policy

All students are required to attend all concerts listed above during the school year. Failure to do so will directly affect the student's grade in choir. If a student has a conflict with a concert date, they are responsible for letting the director know as soon as they become aware of the conflict.

- Excused conflicts: death in the family, serious illness (with doctor's note), and official Triway club events and/or sports games/tournaments.
- Unexcused conflicts: birthdays, parties, concerts, and other sporting events outside of Triway (ex. travel team games/tournaments and other extracurriculars not affiliated with Triway).

All absences, regardless of excused or unexcused, will be given 0/100 points. If the absence is excused the student will have the opportunity to complete a related assignment to gain up to 100 points back. If the absence is unexcused, the student has the opportunity to complete a related assignment to gain up to 50 points back.

Calendar (Optional Performances, subject to change)

- **Tri-County Solo & Ensemble**
 - Open to students in grades 5-12
 - February 25, 2023 (snow date March 4th, 2023)
 - Dalton Elementary & Intermediate: 177 N. Mill St., Dalton, OH 44618
 - Time TBD
- **OMEA Junior High School Solo & Ensemble**
 - Open to students in grades 7-8
 - April 15th, 2023
 - Stanton Middle School: 1175 Hudson Rd., Kent, OH 44240
 - Time TBD