

Dear Parents and Students,

Due to the early registration deadline for classes for the 2012-2013 school year, Concert Choir auditions will be on Monday, January 9, 2012. Every student registering for Concert Choir must first audition. Satisfactory completion of Mixed Chorus and a satisfactory audition will be a prerequisite for Concert Choir. Please see the requirements below.

Audition Date: Monday, January 9, 2012 from 3:15-6:00 pm in the choir room.

There will be a sign up sheet located on the choir room door. (5 minute time slots)
Students may leave after they have auditioned.

Audition Requirements:

1. 50% Students sing My Country 'Tis of Thee (just the melody-one verse). Students may sing this in the key provided or choose another starting note to be determined before the audition. Copies of "My Country 'Tis of Thee" can be found on the choir room door.

Students will be scored on Tone Quality, Intonation, Musicianship, and Beauty/Power of Voice.

This portion of the audition will be a "blind audition" behind a screen.

2. 25% Sight Reading- students will sight read an 8 measure example. (Blind audition behind a screen.)
3. 25% Written Test- Students will complete a written test on: Basic staff knowledge (lines/spaces, clefs), identifying Tonic Solfa, and identifying Key Signatures. This will be given during class time on Monday, January 9, 2012. If a student is absent on that day, they will take it when they return to school.

*Please note: Students with IEP's and/or 504 plans will be given accommodations specialized to their individual needs.

Please know that for all of the students, this audition will test knowledge that they should already know and have studied for the past few years. Students are welcomed to speak privately with me if they have any concerns. I encourage all current choir members to audition.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Butcher