



Carroll Manor Music Program - Singing Lions

To: All parents/guardians of 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade students

From: Ms. Fritton and Ms. Schiavone

Dear parents/guardians,

Welcome to a new school year! Your child in 3rd, 4th, or 5th grade has the opportunity to take part in the Singing Lions school chorus! Rehearsals will take place on Tuesday mornings from 7:40 to 8:30 a.m. in Ms. Fritton's music room. Please look at the attached schedule carefully. Children will need to have their own transportation to take part in these rehearsals. Carpooling is encouraged.

Chorus members will learn a wide variety of choral music and learn to sing in harmony through the use of rounds, ostinati, counter-melodies and traditional chordal harmony.

Chorus members will be expected to attend ALL rehearsals, unless they have an excused absence from school that day. Members are also expected to attend every performance. Our first scheduled performance is the Winter Concert, here at CMES, on Wednesday, December 7, 2022, at 7:00 p.m.

We are looking for a few parent volunteers to help with chorus. These volunteers would help with chorus arrival and dismissal. All volunteers must complete the FCPS volunteer training found on the website. Please e-mail Ms. Fritton if interested in volunteering!

If your child is interested, and able to attend weekly rehearsals, please read the attached Chorus Responsibility and Behavior Contract and complete the attached permission slip. Please return forms to Ms. Fritton or Ms. Schiavone as soon as possible. We look forward to having your child participate in this exciting musical opportunity!

Sincerely,

Ms. Ann Fritton and Ms. Schiavone

Fall Singing Lions Chorus Rehearsal dates 2022 - 2023

(Please post this list somewhere important in your home!)

September

Tuesday, Sept. 20, 2022 @ 7:40am

Tuesday, Sept. 27, 2022 @ 7:40am

October

Tuesday, Oct. 4, 2022 @ 7:40am

Tuesday, Oct. 11, 2022 @ 7:40am

Tuesday, Oct. 18, 2022 @ 7:40am

Tuesday, Oct. 25, 2022 @ 7:40am

November

Tuesday, Nov. 1, 2022 @ 7:40am

NO Rehearsal Nov. 8, 2022 - Election Day

Tuesday, Nov. 15, 2022 @ 7:40am

Tuesday, Nov. 22, 2022 @ 7:40am

Tuesday, Nov. 29, 2022 @ 7:40am

December

Tuesday, Dec. 6, 2022 @ 7:40am

CONCERT - Wednesday, Dec. 7, 2022 @ 7pm

- Students report to music room by 6:30pm

- Attire: White on top, black on the bottom, comfortable shoes

Chorus Responsibility and Behavior Contract

Attendance/Tardy Policy:

- Ideally, we would like 100% attendance from all chorus members to ensure that they do not miss important rehearsals. However, two excused absences are allowed per school semester (Sept. through Dec. and then Jan. through May.)
 - Excused absences are anytime a student is sick, has a doctor's appointment, family emergency, etc. Please send a note or e-mail after the missed rehearsal so that we may mark it as excused.
 - Unexcused absences are not allowed. An unexcused absence is when your child is at school but missed rehearsal that morning.
- All chorus students should be in Ms. Fritton's music room by 7:40am. Please consider dropping off your son/daughter by 7:35am so rehearsals may begin promptly. For security reasons we must close the door to the school at 7:40am when rehearsal begins because there will no longer be an adult monitoring the door.
- Tardies are when students arrive after 7:40am. Only two tardies are allowed per school semester.
- Should your son/daughter be late on any given rehearsal day please have them come in the main entrance of the school.

Weather Policy: No school = No chorus; Late arrival = No chorus

Behavior Expectations: Your child will be expected to follow all school rules during their time in chorus. Exceptional choruses come from exceptional behavior, hard work, and dedication. Should your son or daughter have to be addressed several times during a rehearsal it will be considered their warning. Any further warnings will result in parental contact. Subsequent parental contact will result in removal from the chorus.

Drop off for chorus: Please use the side parking lot loop by the flag pole when dropping off your child for chorus. This is not the normal car rider loop nor the front parking lot by the main entrance. The children should enter the building through the doors between Ms. Fritton's music room and the gym. An adult will be out at the parking lot to help navigate the children into the building.

Singing Lions Chorus Contract 2022 - 2023

Please fill out this form, sign the bottom, and return to Ms. Fritton or Ms. Schiavone

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY!

I (parent/guardian) am interested in being a Chorus volunteer!

Child's Name _____ Parent/Guardian name _____

First

Last

First

Last

Home phone number _____ Work Number _____

Cell number _____ Email Address _____

(Email will be the primary contact for all chorus information!)

Grade _____ Home room teacher _____

Any medical concerns or conditions: _____

I give my son/daughter permission to eat at the winter and spring chorus parties.

I DO NOT give my son/daughter permission to eat at the winter and spring chorus parties.

I have read and agree to the Chorus Responsibility and Behavior Contract. I hereby give permission for my child to participate in the Carroll Manor Elementary Singing Lions Chorus for this school year 2022-2023.

Parent/Guardian Signature

Student Signature