

# Description of Chorus Activities

## ALL STATE CHORUS

- WHO?** Any 9<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grade chorus students are eligible. Up to 32 students may audition. 12 females and 20 males.
- WHAT?** 7 weeks of intense musical training during lunch to prepare for the all-state audition process. The best HS musicians travel to Tampa to sing high quality choral literature under the direction of a reputable guest conductor.
- WHERE?** Tampa, Florida
- WHEN?**
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| Study Sessions: TBA             |        |                |
| Musicianship Test: September 16 | 3:30PM | Lincoln HS     |
| Sightreading Test: September 24 | 3:30PM | Leon HS        |
| Vocal Audition: October 20      | 5:30PM | St. Paul's UMC |
| FMEA All-State: January 13-16   |        | Tampa, Florida |
- WHY?** The audition process is a rigorous one, but those students who are selected to participate have found it extremely rewarding and have demonstrated superior knowledge of music and musical skills, have become better musicians, have enjoyed the learning process with their chorus friends, and have made many new friends. Going to all-state is the highest honor you can receive in HS chorus.
- HOW?** The students must pass the Musicianship, Sightreading and Vocal Audition to become eligible. Based on their cumulative rank of all 3 scores as well as their rank within the state, Chiles is given a certain number of seats in the all-state choruses.

## ACDA HONOR CHOIR

- WHO?** Any 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade chorus student
- WHAT?** High School students throughout the state of Florida audition and are selected solely on vocal quality
- WHERE?** Seminole State College, Lake Mary, Florida
- WHEN?** November 5<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup>, 2015
- WHY?** Dr. Daniel Bara, director of choral activities and professor of music at the Hugh Hodgson School of Music at the University of Georgia will conduct this year's choir. The choir will perform masterworks with full orchestra as part of the final day of the FL-ACDA Conference on November 7<sup>th</sup>. This year's repertoire is Mozart's *Coronation Mass*.

## FALL CONCERT

- WHO?** ALL chorus students are **REQUIRED** to participate.
- WHAT?** Chiles Fall Concert
- WHERE?** Chiles High School
- WHEN?** October 13<sup>th</sup> at 7:00PM
- WHY?** This is an opportunity for friends and family to hear something of what students have accomplished the first quarter in their chorus class.

## SOLO AND ENSEMBLE

- WHO?** Any chorus student
- WHAT?** Students have an opportunity to perform two pieces of music chosen by Mr. Sullivan or their voice teacher by themselves or with other chorus members in front of a judge for comments and a grade. Students taking voice lessons are requested to perform at this festival.
- WHERE?** Raa Middle School
- WHEN?** April 16<sup>th</sup>, 2016. Students will receive times closer to the event.
- WHY?** Allows for another performance opportunity for students. It can either be alone or with friends. Students make this happen themselves. Teaches independence in the musical learning process. Broadens their knowledge of musical skills as well as the voice. Honors students create groups.

## WINTER CONCERTS

- WHO?** ALL chorus students are **REQUIRED** to participate.
- WHAT?** Chiles Combined Holiday Concert
- WHERE?** Chiles High School
- WHEN?** December 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> at 7:00PM
- WHY?** This is an opportunity for friends and family to hear music from all disciplines at Chiles, including chorus.

## ALL MALE CHORAL FESTIVAL

- WHO?** All men in chorus
- WHAT?** The 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Leon County All Male Choral Festival. All male singers in all the middle school and high school choral programs in Leon County will be participating in this all day event. Local male college choirs will be making special appearances. This year's clinician will be Mr. Adam Zrust, Doctoral Candidate at the Florida State University.
- WHERE?** Chiles HS
- WHEN?** January 26<sup>th</sup>, 2016
- WHY?** To learn from college men what it's like to be in a choir in college. To help educate middle school boys what it's like to be in chorus in high school. To get to know men from other high schools who sing in chorus. Also, it's a really awesome educational day for the guys that they talk about for months to come.

## MUSICAL AUDITIONS

- WHO?** Open to all students at Chiles
- WHAT?** Auditions for *The Music Man*
- WHERE?** Chiles High School
- WHEN?** January 20<sup>th</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup> from 2 - 7
- WHY?** Students will have the opportunity to be a part of a full musical production at Chiles. The camaraderie of a show is unparalleled. This gives our students an opportunity to experience that and the thrill of the stage at the same time.

## MASTERWORKS CONCERT

- WHO?** **Chiles Singers, Belle Chantique, and Chamber Choir** are **REQUIRED** to participate
- WHAT?** Masterworks concert combining the talents of members of the Chiles Chorus and members of the Chiles Orchestra.
- WHERE?** Chiles High School
- WHEN?** February 25<sup>th</sup>, 2016 at 7:00PM
- WHY?** Students will sing beloved classical music with our award winning orchestra.

### CHORAL MPA FESTIVAL

- WHO?** ALL chorus students are **REQUIRED** to participate.
- WHAT?** Choral Music Performance Assessment. This is our equivalent of FCAT.
- WHERE?** Faith Presbyterian Church
- WHEN?** March 5<sup>th</sup>, 2016
- WHY?** Students perform in a positive concert setting for ratings and written comments. This promotes and encourages the use of quality choral literature of varying styles and periods.

### SPRING MUSICAL

- WHO?** Students who were selected to be a part of the musical and all students who would like to see the show!
- WHAT?** *The Music Man*
- WHERE?** Chiles High School
- WHEN?** April 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, and 9<sup>th</sup>
- WHY?** Be a part of/see a wonderful musical production on the Chiles stage.

### STATE CHORAL MPA FESTIVAL

- WHO?** Choirs that receive superior ratings at local MPA festivals are eligible to perform at state.
- WHAT?** State Choral Music Performance Assessment. This is a more stringent version of local MPA.
- WHERE?** Faith Presbyterian Church, Tallahassee, Florida
- WHEN?** April 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup>
- WHY?** Students perform in a positive concert setting for ratings and written comments. This promotes and encourages the use of quality choral literature of varying styles and periods. In addition, students are exposed to some of the best choirs in the state of Florida.

### SPRING CONCERT

- WHO?** ALL chorus students are **REQUIRED** to participate.
- WHAT?** Chiles Spring Chorus Concert
- WHERE?** Chiles High School
- WHEN?** May 12<sup>th</sup>, 2016
- WHY?** The culmination of a year's learning and dedications to our graduating seniors.