

Welcome to Chorus

To register using the QR code: please make up a student ID using letters and numbers.

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What is Chorus? Chorus is singing and more singing! It is learning how to read music notes and rhythms. It is learning to feel the beat, to sing music in harmony, and to understand the beauty of singing. It is also learning how to perform in front of an audience.

When does Chorus meet? The chorus class meets every day for the entire school year during the regular school day.

If my child is in chorus, will he be able to take other exploratory courses? Yes. Although chorus is a year-long course, students enrolled in the class will have the opportunity to take 2 other exploratory courses during the year beside chorus. (Most other exploratory courses are only a semester long.)

If my child is in chorus, can he also be in the band or orchestra? No. Due to scheduling issues, students may participate in only one music performance group.

What do you need to have for class? Students need a pencil and folder for class each day as well as a good attitude and a love of singing quality music.

Do I have to attend concerts? Yes. Performances are VERY important to the development of the chorus program. There are two mandatory performances: Winter Concert and Spring Concert. In a typical year, there are concerts almost every month but not all students will perform at each concert. Sixth grade concerts are during the school day while the seventh and eighth grade concert is held in the evening.

Do we meet after school for practice? We do not meet after school as a group to practice. There will be days dedicated before and after school for extra practices that students are welcome to attend. Festival Chorus will meet every week one day after school. Festival Chorus is the competition chorus at FMS.

Do we go on Field Trips? Yes. There are opportunities for many field trips during the year. Information will be sent home as well as posted on the Facebook page for FMS Chorus. All students are not eligible for every field trip. Some trips are designated for a certain voice part or a certain grade.

What do we wear to concerts and field trips? All students will need a chorus t-shirt (\$12), blue jeans, and tennis shoes for field trips. For concerts, dress clothes, all black are needed. We want to look professional. If students participate in the All County Festival, they will chorus black polo shirts with black dress pants and black shoes. No jeans or athletic wear.

What about fundraising? We do at least 2 fundraisers a year. Money collected will help pay for supplies as well as field trip expenses (travel, registration, fees, etc.) for the year. Any money left over at the end of the school year will be used to purchase supplies for the program.