

Carman-Ainsworth Middle School

7th & 8th Grade Mixed Choir Syllabus

Google Classroom Code: iqd2sdv

Remind: Text @camschoirs to 81010

WebPage: <https://www.carman.k12.mi.us/Page/8562>

Course Description

Mixed Choir meets for one period. Daily rehearsals include work on development of proper vocal techniques including: tone production, consonant and vowel production, sight-singing skills including the use of solfege', ear training, and rhythmic development as well as personal musicianship. The performance of appropriate literature of varied styles and historic periods will be the primary focus of the ensemble. Activities include sectionals, rehearsals and performances as deemed appropriate by the teacher.

Goals

- To provide students with a well-rounded musical education.
- To participate successfully in concerts.
- To provide students with a creative outlet.

Text and Materials

- The school will provide music and books. Students will be charged a replacement cost if school materials are lost or damaged beyond use. Cost will be based on what is being replaced.

Assessment

A. Daily class participation and rehearsal points

- **3 points will be given each day**

1. Attendance

- a. Is on time for class, rehearsals, and performances.

2. Preparation for Class

- a. Have choir folder, pencil and other assignments each day.
- b. In seat when the bell rings and all conversation ceases when director is ready to begin.

3. Attitude

- a. Keeps trying - demonstrates positive attitude
- b. No inappropriate language or actions directed towards other students
- c. No GUM, POP, CANDY or other food
- d. Does not have cell phone visible or other music out

B. Concert Performances and Events/Extra Rehearsal, Dress Rehearsal

Note: Students in choral music are required to attend all performances and dress rehearsals unless they are too ill to get out of bed, or there is a death in the immediate family. Students leaving early will not receive credit for attendance. Work, not having a ride, babysitting, birthday celebrations or another event is not an excuse to miss a performance or dress rehearsal. Plan ahead! When there is a sporting event in which you are involved and a concert, please contact both the teacher and coach. We can work it out!

- Excused absences from concert/performance (illness or death in the family) -- can be made up with permission of the teacher. A project must be completed equal to the time the other students spent at the concert or event. (Example: written report, attending and evaluation another concert)

C. Written Assignments/Tests/Sectional

- a. Written tests
- b. Sight Singing Tests
- c. Group and individual part singing

Performance Attire

- Nice shirt (no large logos), black skirt of appropriate school length or dress slacks/pants (no blue jean material or cargo pants), black nylons or black socks, and black shoes.

Feel free to contact me anytime. The best way to reach me is through email. I do my best to respond to parent/guardian emails within 24 hours of receiving an email.

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Middle School & High School Choir Concerts

Bolded Events Are Required Events

Date	Event	Call Time/Performance Time	Location
October 21st	High School & Middle School Choir Concert	Call Time MS: 5:45pm Call Time HS: 6:00pm Performance: 7:00pm	Carman-Ainsworth High School
December 16th	Middle School Holiday Concert	Call Time: 6:00pm Performance: 7:00pm	Carman-Ainsworth Middle School
December 21st	High School Holiday Concert	Call Time: 6:00pm Performance: 7:00pm	Carman-Ainsworth High School
January 22nd	Solo & Ensemble	TBD	Schwartz Creek High School
March 17th	High School Pre-Festival Concert	Call Time: 6:00pm Performance: 7:00pm	Carman-Ainsworth High School
May 17th	High School Senior Farewell Concert	Call Time: 6:00pm Performance: 7:00pm	Carman-Ainsworth High School
May 26th	Middle School Spring Concert	Call Time: 6:00pm Performance: 7:00pm	Carman-Ainsworth Middle School