



# WASHINGTON MIDDLE SCHOOL **6<sup>TH</sup>-8<sup>TH</sup> EXTRACURRICULAR CHOIR ACTIVITIES** 2025-2026

1st Semester Complete, 2nd Semester In Progress Dates and times are subject to change as needed

## **OPUS Honor Choir**

**START DATE:** Thursday, AUGUST 28th **END DATE:** Thursday, SEPTEMBER 25th

### **PRACTICE TIMES**

6th GRADE	7/8 TREBLE (Soprano/Alto)	7/8 BASS (Tenor/Bass)
Tuesday PM  • 3:25 to 4:00 PM Thursday PM  • 3:25 to 4:00 PM	Monday PM  • 3:25 to 4:00 PM  Wednesday AM  • 7:35 to 8:05 AM	Wednesday PM  • 3:25 to 4:00 PM  Thursday AM  • 7:35 to 8:05 AM

#### PRACTICE SCHEDULE

Week 1: Sept 2nd - 5th (Practice #1 Scales and #2 My Country Tis of Thee)

Week 2: Sept 8th - 12th (Practice #3 Song Excerpt)

Week 3: Sept 15th - 19th (Refine skills on #s 1, 2, and 3)

Week 4: Sept 22nd - 25th (RECORD for OPUS Submissions)

### **SUBMISSION DATE:** September 26th, 2025

Recordings are sent in by Gorman or Voice Teacher. All recordings must be done BEFORE the 26th.

(Judges across the state listen student entries - they do not know who the students are)

#### **IF YOU MAKE IT:**

- MORE SCHEDULED PRACTICES IN OCTOBER to learn music (student individualized schedule)
- Opus Store Open: Monday, October 13th, 2025
- Opus Store Closed: Monday, November 3rd, 2025
- Registration Payments Due: Monday, November 3rd, 2025
- Performance (SELECT STUDENTS): OPUS CONCERT Thursday, November 20th, 2025







## **Christmas Carolers**

**START DATE:** Tuesday, October 28th **END DATE:** Monday, December 22nd

Every year Washington Middle School has sent singers out into the community to sing for different organizations, churches, businesses, and community homes. We practice starting at the beginning of Quarter 2, and meet two times a week. On December 11th, 2025 - we will have an entire day run out (including a visit to Lincoln and Stewart) that will include a visit to PIZZA RANCH for lunch! Students will also sing in the intermission between the band and choir concert December 22nd. Visit the calendar below to double check dates. **IF THERE IS NO SCHOOL THERE IS NO PRACTICE. Practices will be rescheduled as necessary.** 

ELIGIBILITY: All students in the 6th-8th grade are welcome to join this group. This is the season to celebrate and gather together.

- Students may not miss more than 4 practices (8/12 minimum practices) to perform.
- Students must attend the Wednesday, December 10th rehearsal to join us on the community runout December 11th
- If a student is not meeting employability skills scores from Q1 they are ineligible to participate in Community Carolers
- If a student acts in a way in rehearsal that reflects poorly on WMS Choir and Washington Middle School, they will not be allowed to join us in our performances.

## WMS CHRISTMAS CAROLERS!

#### **PRACTICES**

Monday PM (ALL SINGERS)

• 3:25 to 4:00 PM

Wednesday AM (6th Grade)

- 7:35 to 8:10 AM
- (edit on 10/28)

Thursday AM - (7th and 8th Grade)

- 7:45 to 8:25 AM
- (edit on 10/28)

#### **PERFORMANCES**

MAYBE - NOVEMBER 29th - Holiday Parade

Thursday, December 11th

- School Day (ALL DAY)
- Money needed pizza ranch

Monday, December 22nd

PRE-CONCERT Caroling

### PRACTICE SCHEDULE

Week 1: October 27th-31st Week 2-3: Nov. 3rd-21st

Week 4: Monday, November 24th

Week 5 & 6: Dec. 1st-11th

If you run a business that wants WMS Carolers to visit you on December 11th, send me (Mr. Gorman) an email or call the WMS office so I can call you back!





## **SEICDA Honor Choir**

INDEPENDENT PRACTICE using teacher provided Practice Tracks and Listening is Necessary Materials and Information provided DECEMBER 15th-19th for students to start looking at before going on WINTER BREAK.

**START DATE:** Thursday, January 5th **END DATE:** FRIDAY, February 13th

PRACTICE TIMES: (SLIGHTLY DIFFERENT FROM OPUS SCHEDULE)

6th GRADE	7/8 TREBLE (Soprano/Alto)	7/8 BASS (Tenor/Bass)
Tuesday PM (ALTO)  • 3:25 to 4:00 PM Wednesday AM (SOP)  • 7:35 to 8:05 AM	Wednesday PM  • 3:25 to 4:00 PM  Friday AM  • 7:35 to 8:05 AM	Monday PM  • 3:25 to 4:00 PM  Thursday AM  • 7:45 to 8:30AM  • (edit on 10/28)

## **PRACTICE SCHEDULE**

Week 1: Jan. 5th-9th Week 2: Jan. 12th-16th Week 3: Jan. 19th-23rd Week 4: Jan. 26th-30th Week 5: Feb. 2nd-6th Week 6: Feb. 9-13th

FESTIVAL/CONCERT DATE: Friday, February 13th

**ELIGIBILITY: (IN PROGRESS....)** 

- TICKET Store Open:

- TICKET Store Closed:

- Registration Payments Due: Monday, November 3rd, 2025

- Performance





## **PRACTICES:**

- \*New times reflect input received from the google form that has student availability based on sports and other activities. There is no "perfect" day to practice. This schedule maximizes the number of students that can make it to practice.
- \*If you are in a sport please speak with your coach about making at least one of our practices a priority. **You will never miss an entire sports practice because of a choir activity/rehearsal.** Please let me know the approximate time you will be there so I can plan accordingly for our practices.
- \*ALWAYS send an email if you are going to be absent. A proper heads up is at least 12 hours notice.

If a student does not make a **Mandatory Practice**, they will not perform/practice with the group for the remainder of Quarter 1.

## **DEVOX PRACTICE DATES: \*DATES AND TIMES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE\***

DECEMBER				
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 11th	8:00AM-2:00 PM	CAROLING - Mandatory - Bring 12 Dollars to contribute to PIZZA for food this day.		
MON, December 22nd	5:50-6:20 PM	PRE-CONCERT CAROLING - MANDATORY - 20 minutes of Caroling		
JANUARY				
Mon, January 6th	3:15-3:50 PM	REHEARSAL		
Wed, January 8th	3:15-3:50 PM	REHEARSAL		
2ND SEMESTER, 3RD QUARTER				
JANUARY - 7/8th Grade ONLY				
Mon, JANUARY 20th	7:35-8:05 AM	Soprano/Alto REHEARSAL		
Tues, JANUARY 21st	3:15-3:50 PM	Tenor/Bass Rehearsal REHEARSAL		





Wed, JANUARY 22nd	7:35-8:05 AM	Tenor/Bass Rehearsal REHEARSAL			
Thurs, JANUARY 23rd	3:15-3:50 PM	Soprano/Alto REHEARSAL			
Mon, JANUARY 27th	7:35-8:05 AM	Soprano/Alto REHEARSAL			
Tues, JANUARY 28th	3:15-3:50 PM	Tenor/Bass Rehearsal REHEARSAL			
Wed, JANUARY 29th	7:35-8:05 AM	Tenor/Bass Rehearsal REHEARSAL			
Thurs, JANUARY 30th	3:15-3:50 PM	Soprano/Alto REHEARSAL			
	FEBRUARY - 7/8th Grade ONLY				
Mon, FEBRUARY 3rd 7:35-8:05 AM <b>Soprano/Alto</b> REHEARSAL					
Tues, FEBRUARY 4th	3:15-3:50 PM	Tenor/Bass Rehearsal REHEARSAL			
Wed, FEBRUARY 5th	7:35-8:05 AM	Tenor/Bass Rehearsal REHEARSAL			
Thurs, FEBRUARY 6th	3:15-3:50 PM	Soprano/Alto REHEARSAL			
FRI - FEBRUARY 7th	ALL DAY	FESTIVAL DAY!  - Arrive to school at normal time - Come to Mr. Gorman's room for attendance during homeroom - Morning snacks provided - Leave at the end of homeroom - Complete Festival DAY - Return to WMS @8:30-9:00 PM or go home with family			
	FEBRUARY - ALL GROUP				
Tues, FEBRUARY 11th	3:15-3:50 PM	REHEARSAL			
Thurs, FEBRUARY 13th	3:15-3:50 PM	REHEARSAL			
Tues, FEBRUARY 18th	3:15-3:50 PM	REHEARSAL			
Thurs, FEBRUARY 20th	3:15-3:50 PM	REHEARSAL			
Tues, FEBRUARY 25th	3:15-3:50 PM	REHEARSAL			
Thurs, FEBRUARY 27th					
	3:15-3:50 PM	REHEARSAL			
	3:15-3:50 PM	REHEARSAL MARCH			
Tues, MARCH 4th	3:15-3:50 PM 3:15-3:50 PM				
Tues, MARCH 4th Thurs, MARCH 6th		MARCH			
	3:15-3:50 PM	MARCH REHEARSAL			





Thurs, MARCH 13th	7:00 PM	ALL SCHOOL Vocal Concert - Perform 2 songs			
	SPRING BREAK				
		4TH QUARTER			
Tues, MARCH 25th	3:15-3:50 PM	REHEARSAL			
Thurs, MARCH 27th	7:35-8:00 AM	REHEARSAL			
		APRIL			
Tues, April 1st	3:15-3:50 PM	REHEARSAL			
Thurs, April 3rd	7:35-8:00 AM	REHEARSAL			
Tues, April 8th	3:15-3:50 PM	REHEARSAL			
Thurs, April 10th	7:35-8:00 AM	REHEARSAL			
Tues, April 15th	3:15-3:50 PM	REHEARSAL			
Thurs, April 17th	7:35-8:00 AM	REHEARSAL			
Tues, April 22nd	3:15-3:50 PM	REHEARSAL			
Thurs, April 24th	7:35-8:00 AM	REHEARSAL			
Tues, April 29th	3:15-3:50 PM	REHEARSAL			
MAY					
Thurs, May 1st	7:35-8:00 AM	REHEARSAL			
Tues, May 6th	3:15-3:50 PM	REHEARSAL			
Thurs, May 8th	7:35-8:00 AM	REHEARSAL			
Tues, May 13th	3:15-3:50 PM	REHEARSAL			
Wed, May 14th	7:35-8:00 AM	REHEARSAL			
Thurs, May 15th	3:15-3:50 PM	REHEARSAL			
Thurs, May 15th	5:30-6:30 PM	FARMERS MARKET KICKOFF PERFORMANCE! - Wear DeVox Shirts			
Saturday, May 17th	8:00-6:00 PM	ADVENTURELAND TRIP! - Need 3 parent chaperones			
Monday, May 19th	3:15-3:50 PM	FINAL REHEARSAL			
Tues, May 20th	6:00-8:00 PM	Got Talent Show Performance! - Arrival 5:30 PM			