

# MSHS Advanced Choir Audition

## Permission Form

2026 - 2027

Participating in Camerata, Bel Canto, or Bella Voce at Mount Si High School is an exciting and rewarding opportunity, but it also carries significant responsibility for students and their families. Auditioning for an advanced ensemble is an important decision that should be made thoughtfully. These choirs provide unique musical and community experiences that create lasting memories and meaningful artistic growth. However, those experiences require consistent effort, preparation, and commitment from every student.

Advanced ensembles participate in several performance opportunities throughout the year. Some events take place during the school day, but many occur in the evenings or on weekends. A required weekend retreat is held in September or October for all advanced ensembles. Students must also participate in Solo & Ensemble, which takes place on a Saturday and may require additional rehearsal time outside of class. Extra rehearsals are typically scheduled 2–4 times during the school year. Students should also be aware that we are planning a small local trip next year for a festival or exchange, which may occur over a weekend or school break.

Advanced ensembles involve a greater financial commitment. Families should plan for a \$25 uniform fee, a \$13 T-shirt fee, and a fall retreat cost of approximately \$200. In addition, students should anticipate expenses related to the planned overnight trip. Fundraising opportunities will be available, and scholarship assistance is always offered through our VOICE Boosters. Trip details — including location, dates, and estimated cost — will be shared before the end of the school year.

Students in advanced ensembles are expected to practice consistently outside of class and arrive prepared each day. The repertoire is more challenging and is learned at a faster pace, requiring steady individual effort.

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Please review and sign the acknowledgement below and return it to Mrs. Isaacs & Mr. Sauer at your audition.

By signing below, I acknowledge that participation in Camerata, Bel Canto, or Bella Voce requires a significant commitment. I understand that I will be expected to attend performances and rehearsals outside of the school day and to come to class prepared with my music learned. If selected for an advanced ensemble, I understand that I am expected to register for that group, as ensemble placements are carefully balanced for numbers and vocal blend. If circumstances prevent me from registering for my assigned choir, I will notify Mrs. Isaacs & Mr. Sauer immediately.

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_