

# CCJHS Chorus Syllabus

2022-2023

## Instructor Information

Instructor	Email	Office Location & Hours
Mrs. Janet Sain	<a href="mailto:Janet.Sain@chestercountyschools.org">Janet.Sain@chestercountyschools.org</a>	CCJHS 7:30-11:00 CCHS 11:30-3:00 (Planning 11:30-12:30)

## General Information

### Description

6th Grade Beginning Chorus. 7th/8th Grade Chorus. Chorus is open to all students at CCJHS. The class meets daily with the intention of providing students with a well rounded vocal music education. Tennessee State music standards for middle school vocal music will be taught in these classes. Elements such as vocal pedagogy, reading and notating music, music history and theory, etc. are all included. In order for you to get the most out of these classes, participation is required on a daily basis. Chorus is a performance based content. Therefore, students will be performing at the school and in the community throughout the year.

Students will also be required to complete their PLT work for Summit as a part of our class time. It is expected that students will remain ON TRACK academically.

### Expectations

- Be on time and be prepared!
- Bring sheet music folder, paper, and pencil daily.
- Have an outstanding ATTITUDE and great BEHAVIOR! (Discipline issues will not be tolerated and will be dealt with in an appropriate manner.)
- Cell phones are a distraction to instruction. All cell phones MUST BE PLACED IN PINK HOLDER DURING CLASS. (District cell phone policy will apply for violations.)
- Participate with ENTHUSIASM in all rehearsals and performances.
- Chorus is a Performing Arts Class. Performances are MANDATORY and GRADED. If there is sickness, death in the family, or other emergency that prevents attendance it must be documented with Dr. note/parent letter, etc. to be excused. Performance dates will be announced well in advance.
- Do the right thing, because it's the right thing! Be Respectful to all people, and property.
- Being in Chorus is an Honor. Take Pride in what you do!

## Course Materials

### Required Materials

Black 3 prong or ring folder for sheet music (Teacher can provide one if needed)

Paper & Pencil

Computer for PLT Time/Assignments (School will provide)

### Required Performance Attire

The Chorus ensemble will strive for excellence. Performance attire should portray that. The required **CONCERT BLACK** attire is listed below. Any changes in these requirements for certain performances will be announced in advance.

#### All Students:

- Black dress pants, ankle length skirt, or ankle length dress.
- Black dress shirt, blouse, or dress. (No Sleeveless dresses or blouses)
- Black socks
- Black dress shoes (NO TENNIS SHOES. If wearing a heel, it should not be high. A flat or wedge is preferred.)
- Hair/Facial Hair should be well groomed. Hair accessories should be minimal. (small bow, clips, headband, etc. are okay if black or neutral in color)
- Jewelry - ladies only are limited to a simple pair of earrings and/or a small necklace. (nothing too shiny. Pearls make a great choice.)

### Required Text

Sheet Music will be provided. Sheet music is EXPENSIVE! Therefore, it is expected that you treat it with care and return it in a timely manner.

### Grading

Grading will be based on the following each 9 weeks:

**Class Participation:** 40%

**Performance:** 25%

**Assignments:** 20%

**Tests/Quizzes** 15%

### Trips/Special Events/Fundraising

Students will have opportunities to participate in trips/special events on occasion. This as well as other costs to keep our program funded often involves fundraising. When Chorus does fundraisers, all students/families are expected to participate.

### Parent Communication

#### REMIND APP/Phone/Letters

Parent Communication will primarily happen via the Remind App. Please sign up for notifications if you haven't already. You are also welcomed to reach me by phone at the schools or cell. If you need my cell number, please request it. On occasion, a letter may come home.

#### Personal Note

I am very excited to be teaching Chorus in Chester County. I'm looking forward to a great year with wonderful students and families!

-Mrs. Sain