



## DODGE CITY HIGH SCHOOL CHORAL MUSIC 2022-2023

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A Choral Music Class is based upon teamwork, where performance is our goal!

### CLASSROOM PROCEDURES AND RULES

#### Daily Routine

1. Enter the classroom ready to learn!
2. Have (2) sharpened pencils, music, and paper ready.
3. Read the daily agenda on the white board.

#### Classroom Rules Observed

1. Students should be in their assigned seats with music when the class bell rings.
2. NO gum, food or drinks are allowed during rehearsal (This includes Breakfast during 1<sup>st</sup> period...Get here on time).
3. All Mobile Phones will be kept in personal/assigned folder slot and must remain there until period is over.
3. Headphones need to be removed from ears when the Tardy Bell rings.
4. Do not play the piano or other instruments in the room without permission of Mr. Knedler.
5. Restroom opportunities will be limited. All "restrooming" should be done prior to class time! Being late is not an option!
  - a. Students cannot go to the restroom for the first or last 15 minutes of class (New! School Rule)
  - b. When using the restroom:
    1. Students must retrieve their phone from their folder slot
    2. Sign OUT at Door
    3. Leave phone at the door in Tray
    4. Sign IN at Door
    5. Return phone to personal Folder Slot

#### DCHS Tardy Policy will be followed!

1. Tardies will be counted every single day and period, and school rules will be followed.

#### Discipline Plan For Inappropriate Behavior

- #1 The student will be asked to stop (A Warning).
- #2 After class conference with director and parents will be notified-Points may be deducted from daily score.
- #3 After school detention and parents will be notified again.
- #4 Discipline Referral and student will visit the Dean of Students Office.

### GRADING SYSTEM

#### Daily Grades

1. Students enrolled in Choir will receive a maximum of five attendance points for each rehearsal.
  - a. Points can be "made-up" during FLEX Periods by working on music with Mr. Knedler
2. Student will be graded on class participation (You will not receive points for: Dr. Appt, Illness, Out of Town, etc.)
3. Points will be deducted for (but not limited to) the following:
  - Gum, food or drinks in the choral classroom. \*The number of points deducted is at the discretion of the director.
  - Inappropriate talking or comments or Poor ATTITUDE.
  - Non participation or Disruptive Behavior

#### Grades and Grading Scale

1. A student's semester grade will be determined by the total number of points received and weighed against the total number of points possible for the semester. Each student's grade will be matched to the following scale:

GRADING SCALE:	90% - 100% = A	70% - 79% = C
	80% - 89% = B	60% - 69% = D
	0% - 59% = F	

### Aptitude Exams, Performances And Written Work

1. Pop Quizzes - unannounced quizzes over the music the choir is learning. **Students will be expected to sing in quartets during class.** Each pop quiz will be worth 50 points. The number of quizzes given will be at the discretion of the director.
2. School Performances - each concert performance will be Digitally Recorded. Each student will be graded on his/her performance by a strict criteria. Each school performance is **required** and will be worth 200 points.
3. Bonus Points - students who choose to audition for Honor Choirs, Small Ensembles, and other productions dealing with music will receive bonus points for auditioning.

## ATTENDANCE POLICY

### Daily Rehearsals

1. Attendance will be taken daily. Each student will be given five (5) points for his/her daily attendance.
2. Students will contact the director by phone or by e-mail (preferably before) when a rehearsal will be/is missed.
3. Students can make-up missed rehearsal and receive the five (5) points credit by working on music during an OP period.

### Extra Rehearsals And Performances

1. Attendance will be taken at all extra rehearsals and all performances. Students arriving late will be counted tardy.
2. Students are required to attend all extra rehearsals and **all performances** unless a valid excuse is presented in writing to Mr. Knedler, no later than one week **before** the date of the rehearsal or performance. The excuse will excuse the student from the event, but will not excuse the participation points for the event. The 100 participation points (or half the points possible for that performance) must be rendered by the student through Mr. Knedler in the form of a written assignment.

## EXTRA PERFORMANCE EXPECTATIONS

1. When possible, students will be informed at least two weeks in advance for extra performances. If a performance is announced with less than two weeks notice, the choir will vote for or against the extra performance.
2. It is imperative that a group arrives by "Call Time." If a student will be late, that student must let the director know in writing, not later than the day before the extra performance.
3. Behavior at a performance in or out of DCHS must be professional! The group will be representing Dodge City High School as well as U.S.D. 443. Students who choose not to display proper conduct will be reprimanded by Mr. Knedler and/or, if necessary, the DCHS Dean of Students.
4. The DCHS handbook rules will apply to at all extra performances and activities involving DCHS choral music dept.

## PERFORMANCE ATTIRE

1. Each member of Concert Choir must have Black slacks or dress/skirt and a Dress White Shirt/Top and black Dress shoes.
2. Each member of Class Act Chorale/Madrigals are responsible for purchasing items for concert attire\*.  
\*(including a polo shirt for casual performance)
3. Black dress shoes (no open-toe shoes) only will be acceptable concert attire...black socks too gentlemen!
4. Students choosing not to follow the proper attire set forth will be sent home to change clothes.
5. Occasionally the director may change the concert attire for a particular performance. Students should then refer to 4.

## PERFORMANCES and IMPORTANT DATES for Fall 2022:

1. All dates are subject to change and amendment.
2. Performance and Important dates:

August 25, 2022	Choir Student and Parent Meeting	Parent Meeting 6:00pm
September 10, 2022	Concession Stand (8:30am-4pm)	DCHS Concession Stand
September 12, 2022	Choir Fundraiser Kick-Off #1 Cherrydale	DCHS Choral Room F547
September 16, 2022	Choir T-Shirt Order Due	See Mr. Knedler
September 16, 2022	Dress/Tuxedo/CA Shirt Fees Due	See Mr. Knedler
October 9, 2022	HS Choir Registration due	Recorded/Put in Computer
October 13, 2022	Fall Choral Concert	DCHS Auditorium
October 22, 2022	Mattress Sale	DCHS Commons
November 5, 2022	All State/KMEA Auditions	DCMS
November 7, 2022	Musical Auditions	DCHS Choral Room F547
November 8, 2022	Musical Auditions	DCHS Choral Room F547
November 14, 2022	Floorshow Auditions	DCHS Auditorium
November 15, 2022	Floorshow Auditions	DCHS Auditorium
November 21, 2022	Floorshow Rehearsal	DCHS Auditorium
December 1, 2022	Floorshow Rehearsal	DCHS Auditorium
December 3, 2022	SW KMEA District Honor Choir	DCHS Auditorium
December 5, 2022	Floorshow Rehearsal	DCHS Auditorium
December 6, 2022	Floorshow	DCHS Auditorium
December 8, 2022	First Musical Rehearsal	DCHS Choral Room F547
December 12, 2022	DCHS Holiday Program	DCHS Auditorium

### ***LOOKING AHEAD....***

January 9, 2023	Musical Nightly rehearsals begin	DCHS Auditorium
January 20, 2023	Madrigals perform SSB @ TOC	United Wireless Arena
February 9-11, 2023	<b><i>The Little Mermaid</i></b> musical performances	DCHS Auditorium

\*Please note that we are a course based on performance of music and all performances are required! Please share this information with your families, bosses, friends, and others who support you! We want them to see, hear and support you in performance!