

# Choral Music Concerts

## Tuesday, October 24, 2017

### Franklin Middle School Auditorium

#### 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Choir Concert – 6:15 p.m.

(Estimated length of concert: 30 minutes)

Arrival Time: 6:00 p.m. - Go directly to the auditorium and sit on the risers by 6:05 p.m.

#### 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Choir Concert – 7:30 p.m.

(Estimated length of concert – 1 hour)

Arrival Time: 7: 15 p.m. (do not arrive early)

7<sup>th</sup> grade students meet on the risers on the stage by 7:20 p.m.

8<sup>th</sup> grade students go directly to their designated seats in the auditorium by 7:20 p.m.

#### Requirements:

1. All 6-8<sup>th</sup> grade students must have an 85% or above (B or above) on daily PARRT points to participate (Mr. Griffin's assessment - not the student's assessment). Mr. Griffin will notify parents and/or students on Friday, October 20<sup>th</sup> if they are not able to perform in the concert.

**Alternate Assignment:** 6th grade students not meeting the 85% or above requirement, or have other family conflicts, will need to complete the alternate assignment if they want to receive the performance points. The alternate assignment will be available for these students the week of October 16<sup>th</sup>.

7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grade students not performing will not have to do an alternate assignment since the concert is not required. Please refer to the 2017-18 Choral Music Handbook for additional information.

2. Dress clothes are required for all participants. No particular colors - just look nice!
3. 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grade choir members should not arrive before 7:15 p.m. due to the 6<sup>th</sup> grade concert at 6:15 p.m. This will eliminate traffic & parking congestion.

4. Following the 7<sup>th</sup> grade choir performance, 7<sup>th</sup> grade choir members are expected to sit in their designated area to watch the 8<sup>th</sup> grade choir. If students have to leave for another event/activity please notify Mr. Griffin via email prior to October 24<sup>th</sup>.

### **CONCERT ETIQUETTE - when you are watching a concert**

Knowing concert etiquette is very important when attending Franklin Middle School Choral Music and Drama events. Concert etiquette guidelines provide the best possible listening environment for the audience and for the performers on stage.

1. It is customary to applaud when the director/conductor first enters the stage. He or she will bow to acknowledge the audience's applause and the concert will begin.
2. Audience members should remain seated throughout the concert unless it is a restroom/medical emergency, or, because of a restless child.
3. Please refrain from talking or making other distractions during a performance.
4. Please turn off cell phones or select vibrate.
5. Clap appropriately at the end of each selection and at the end of the performance. Whistling, yelling, or other unusual actions are not appropriate for "formal" concerts.
6. Please sit appropriately in your seat. It is very discerning for a performer to see an audience member slouching in their seat, feet on the chairs in front of them, talking to the person behind you, etc.

### **PERFORMANCE ETIQUETTE - when you are performing in a concert**

1. When waiting to perform, students need to be very quiet, attentive to the person in charge and patiently waiting until it is their turn to perform.
2. When entering and exiting the stage, students should walk appropriately without talking or making any additional distractions.
3. At no time during or after a music selection or scene should you talk to the person next to you, laugh, wave to an audience members, etc. If you make a mistake, lose your balance, drop your music/prop, or other unexpected events take place, cover up the error by continuing to perform without drawing any extra attention. "*Amateurs show their mistakes, professionals hide them.*"

***Mr. Griffin, Franklin Staff or Administrators will not hesitate to remove any student(s) from the stage if his/her actions are not appropriate. This rule will be strictly enforced at all choral music concerts.***

*By following basic etiquette guidelines, performers and audience members will have a more pleasurable and meaningful experience as they perform.*