

Course Title

Chorale (Vocal)

Description of Target Group

This course is designed for students of the 10th through 12th grade levels who have had previous vocal training and successfully completed an audition of minimum basic skills.

Purpose

The student will develop a continuing interest in good music through the singing of good choral literature. The student will experience the pleasures and enjoyments of self-expression through music. Students will give public service through performance. The class will provide the opportunity for public performance and participation and adjudication in festivals with similar groups.

Standards of Expected Student Achievement

Upon completion of this course, students will be able to successfully demonstrate the following skills:

1. Develop vocal technique (posture, tone, diction, breath control, balance & blend of voices), sight reading and ensemble through songs.
2. Develop skills necessary for the continued enjoyment and participation in a profitable leisure time activity.
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4. Follow a vocal music score, understand and use basic music fundamentals of notation, vocabulary, terminology, and symbols.
5. Demonstrate an understanding of rhythm, harmonic and melodic movement.
6. Memorize most materials to be programmed.
7. Demonstrate poise and self-confidence by participation in performance.
8. Demonstrate the qualities of good citizenship and responsibility in the care of music materials, equipment and costume.
9. Develop a basic understanding and appreciation for various forms and styles of quality choral music.

Instructional Materials

Text and Supplementary Materials

Refer to: Secondary Adopted Texts and Approved Supplementary Books Used in the Santa Maria Joint Union High School District

Activities

The student will review the basic techniques of voice production and sight-reading. Students will prepare and perform a large number of songs, which may be used in public performance. They will participate in music festivals with other choirs.