

Dear Students, Parents, and Guardians:

Welcome! I am thrilled that your child is interested in joining the chorus this year! He/she will be singing, dancing, and playing percussion instruments to add a little extra personality to the songs. We will begin rehearsing on Tuesday Sept. 13th from 2:45-3:45 p.m.

Please read and save this application; there is a lot of information you will find pertinent to know about the school chorus. The student information page should be returned no later than Friday, Sept.9th If you have any questions, my information is listed below and you may contact me anytime that is convenient. If you do not reach me, please leave a detailed message, so I may return your call as soon as I am able to.

Sincerely,

Pam Nulty

#### TEACHER INFORMATION

Pam Nulty

Class Room: 21

Class Phone:904) 336-2575 ext 62643 . I am unable to take phone calls during class however you may always leave me a message.

Email Address: [pamela.nulty@myoneclay.net](mailto:pamela.nulty@myoneclay.net) Please do not use student names in emails.

Chorus Grades 4th– 6<sup>th</sup>

**Please complete and return the last page by Friday September 9th. The \$20 activity fee is due no later than Sept. 20th. Cash or checks made out to PES.**

## REHEARSAL RULES AND PROCEDURES

*In order for me to be fair, I must have certain standards that everyone must follow. Please read these guidelines thoroughly!!!*

### ATTENDANCE:

1. Rehearsal starts at 2:45 p.m., be in the cafeteria ready to sing. We will rehearse on Tuesday afternoons. There may be extra rehearsals scheduled prior to performances. Students will be notified of these at least 2 weeks in advance and should make every effort to attend.
2. Attendance will be taken! If you are in school that day you should be at rehearsal.
3. If a student is absent from a regular rehearsal he/she is required to bring a signed note from a parent at the next rehearsal he/she attends. If not, the absence is counted unexcused. 2 consecutive unexcused absences = dismissal from singing in the chorus. If a child has 3 or more excused absences per semester, then they are dismissed. Students who are absent from school on a chorus day will be excused without needing a note.
4. Safety patrols let me know who you are.
5. Attendance for a performance is a must! Please be there no later than 15 minutes before it starts! I must warm you up, make sure you are all dressed appropriately, and line you up to go onto the stage.

## EXPECTATIONS AND REQUIRED SUPPLIES

**I expect all chorus members to act like they represent the chorus at all times. Therefore, they should be upstanding students wherever they are, in and out of school. If a student receives 2 referrals during the school year, they may no longer attend chorus.** Students who do not adhere to the rules during chorus will be given a warning note to be signed by their parent. Students who are given 2 warning notes will be dismissed from the chorus. There is a \$20 non-refundable activity fee for chorus. This covers the purchase of a T-shirt, choral music and supplies.

Parents, I expect you to help your child follow my guidelines in chorus. Please make sure that arrangements are made for them after school. If you normally pick up

your child from school, please be at the bus loop in front of the school by 3:45 P.M. Students who are not picked up by 3:45 P.M. more than twice will be dismissed from the chorus. There is NO supervision available after 3:45 p.m. Please help us keep the bus loop safe when picking up your student. They will not be permitted to cross the bus loop except at the crossing area when accompanied by an adult. Also, please leave a space for cars to exit North Parent Pickup if the line extends out onto Pine Ave.

Bikers/walkers will be dismissed after school rehearsals are over.

Each student will need a Chorus shirt and a pair of Khaki pants. Capris are fine, shorts are NOT. The chorus is an ensemble; they should look like an ensemble. Therefore, they should be similarly dressed and not look like individuals.

We may study/sing sacred and holiday music for *ONLY* the musical aspect of it!!! We will also be singing patriotic songs for our Veteran's Day program.

## PERFORMANCES

At the end of each semester the Chorus will perform what they have worked on all semester/year long. We have 2 performances scheduled at this time. The tentative dates are Tues. Nov. 8<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm Veteran's Day and Tues. Dec. 13<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm will be our Holiday Concert. Additional rehearsal and concert dates will be provided as events are scheduled.

We will be going on a field trip this spring for the Clay County Elementary Music Festival. The chorus will be invited to perform one of the days and will get the privilege to see other schools' ensembles perform.

Students should show up wearing their required, clean uniform. Students will not be permitted to perform if they are wearing the incorrect attire.

## All-County Chorus

The Clay County music teachers produce a concert in late January called the All-County Honors Chorus. Each school selects 10 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> grade students from their chorus. I will be auditioning 10 students by the end of September. Cost and rehearsal details will be sent at that time.

STUDENT INFORMATION & AGREEMENT  
PLEASE PRINT

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Teacher & Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Parent(s) Name:

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Work Phones: \_\_\_\_\_

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Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address:

\_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact and Phone:

\_\_\_\_\_

Email address \_\_\_\_\_

What is your child's form of transportation? (please circle one)

CAR    WALK    BIKE RIDER    YMCA

Shirt size (please circle one)

Youth Med    Youth Large    Adult Sm    Adult Med    Adult Large

By signing below you have agreed that you have read over and discussed the application with your child and understand all of the expectations for your child to participate in the Paterson Elementary Chorus. You consent that you will have your child picked up from school no later than 3:45 P.M. for chorus rehearsals and will follow the uniform code so they may be permitted to perform as a unified ensemble at our performances.

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Parent Signature